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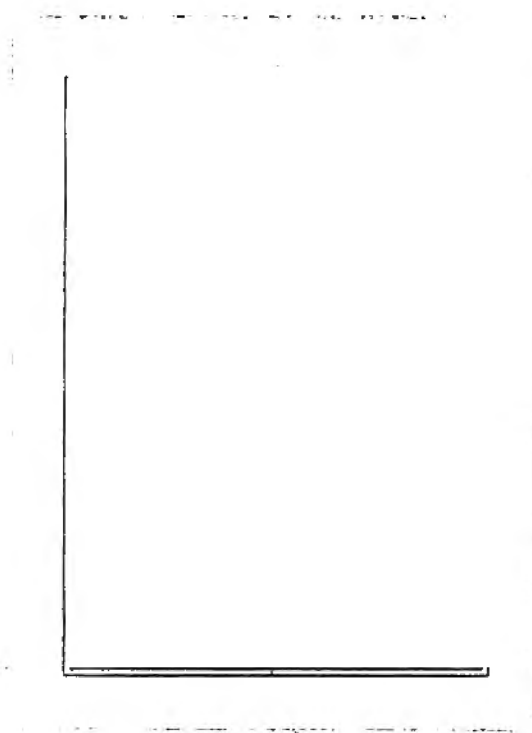
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HOUSE JOURNAL.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 6, 1875.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, the members elect to the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, for the year 1875, assembled in the Representative Hall of the Capitol at Lansing, on Wednesday, the sixth day of January, at 11 o'clock, and were called to order by Daniel L. Crossman, Clerk of the last House.

Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Crosby, of Lansing.

Upon examining the credentials of members it was ascertained that the several counties were fully represented except the following:

Philo H. Budlong, first district of Calhoun county; John Struble, first district of Cass county; Edwin J. Hulbert, of Houghton county; and Isaac Green, of Sanilac county.

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

Hon. E. C. Watkins of Kent county was chosen temporary Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The temporary Speaker was authorized to appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms temporarily.

The temporary Speaker appointed E. M. Fitch of Allegan county as Sergeant-at-Arms temporarily.

Mr. Parker moved that a committee of two be appointed to wait on Lieutenant Governor Holt, and invite him to administer the oath of office to the several members elect.

Which motion prevailed.

The temporary Speaker appointed Mr. Parker of Genesee, and Mr. Howard of St. Clair, as such committee.

After a short absence, the committee reported Lieutenant Governor Holt in attendance.

The roll of the members was then called by counties and districts, when the following members answered to their names, and, having taken and subscribed to the oath of office, were admitted to seats as Representatives in the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

Allegan—1st District, James Eggleston; 2d District, William F. Harden; 3d District, David W. Wiley.

Alpena—Worthy L. Churchill.

Barry—1st District, Henry A. Goodyear; 2d District, Amos C. Towne.

Bay—Andrew Walton.

Berrien—1st District, Thomas J. West; 2d District, Calvin B. Potter; 3d District, Ethan A. Brown.

Branch—1st District, George W. VanAken; 2d District, George P. Robinson.

Calhoun—1st District, ————; 2d District, John Houston; 3d District, Almon E. Preston.

Cass—1st District, ————; 2d District, John B. Sweetland.

Charlevoix—Edward H. Green.

Clinton—1st District, Samuel S. Walker; 2d District, Moses Bartow.

Delta—Frederick O. Clark.

Eaton—1st District, David B. Hale; 2d District, George Huggett.

Genesee—1st District, James B. Moshier; 2d District, Leroy Parker; 3d District, Simeon R. Billings.

Grand Traverse—Thomas A. Ferguson.

Gratiot—Charles H. Morse.

Hillsdale—1st District, Alexander Hewitt; 2d District, Lemuel S. Ranney; 3d District, Leonidas Hubbard.

Houghton— ————.

Huron—Jeremiah Ludington.

Ingham—1st District, Samuel L. Kilbourne; 2d District, William M. Stephens.

Ionia—1st District, Jacob M. Benedict; 2d District, William Mercer.

Jackson—1st District, William H. Smith; 2d District, James C. Wood; 3d District, Isaac P. Wheeler.

Kalamazoo—1st District, Simpson Howland; 2d District, Abraham T. Metcalf; 3d District, Godfrey E. Knight.

Kent—1st District, James W. Ransom; 2d District, Samuel M. Garfield; 3d District, Edward L. Briggs; 4th District, Erwin C. Watkins.

Keweenaw—Thomas D. Bradfield.

Lapeer—1st District, Uriel Townsend; 2d District, John T. Rich.

Leelanaw—James Lee.

Lenawee—Danforth Keyes; 2d District, Marshall Reed; 3d District, Charles Brown; 4th District, Richard B. Robbins.

Livingston—1st District, Louis Meyer; 2d District, Isaac Stow.

Macomb—1st District, Casper F. Schattler; 2d District, Thomas M. Wilson.

Manistee—William B. Cole.

Marquette—Solomon S. Curry.

Mecosta—Nathaniel L. Gerrish.

Midland—Henry Hart.

Monroe—1st District, Christian Hertzler; 2d District, Dykes McLachlin.

Montcalm—William Backus.

Muskegon—Nathan Whitney.

Newaygo—Sullivan Armstrong.

Oakland—1st District, Allen Campbell; 2d District, Peter Dow; 3d District, John D. Norton.

Oceana—Amos R. Wheeler.

Ottawa—1st District, Dirk B. K. Van Raalte; 2d District, Myron Harris.

Saginaw—1st District, Charles D. Little; 2d District, Joseph A. Hollon; 3d District, William H. P. Benjamin.

Sanilac— ————.

Shiawassee—1st District, Fred G. Bailey; 2d District, Lorison J. Taylor.

St. Clair—1st District, Lawrence T. Remer; 2d District, Henry Howard; 3d District, John Berk.

St. Joseph—1st District, Franklin S. Packard; 2d District, William Hall.

Tuscola—John P. Hoyt.

Van Buren—1st District, Alexander B. Copley; 2d District, George G. B. Yeckley.

Washtenaw—1st District, Ezra D. Lay; 2d District, George Sutton; 3d District, Albert K. Clark.

Wayne—1st District, William Livingston, Jr., James Daly, James Craig, Cleveland Hunt, Peter Klein; 2d District, Michael Greiner; 3d District, Horace N. Ocobock; 4th District, Darwin B. Northrop; 5th District, Cady Neff.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until half-past two o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The House was called to order by the temporary Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Remer announced that Representatives Isaac Green, of Sanilac county, and Edwin J. Hulbert, of Houghton county, were present, and desired to take their seats; they came forward, took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, and took their seats.

Mr. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved, That the rules of the last House of Representatives be adopted as the rules of this House until further ordered.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The House proceeded to the election of Speaker, with the following result:

FOR JOHN P. HOYT.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
M. O. Clark,	Houston,	Preston,	Walker,
Copley,	Howard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Dow,	Howland,	Reed,	West,
Eggleston,	Hubbard,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Huggett,	Rich,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	51

FOR CHARLES D. LITTLE.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Potter,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Moshier,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	11.

FOR HENRY N. GOODYEAR.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Smith,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Klein,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Little,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Schattler,	Wood,
Curry,			

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FOR MOSES BARTOW.

Mr. Mercer,	
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FOR CALVIN V. POTTER.

Mr. Knight,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Packard,	
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FOR ERWIN C. WATKINS.

Mr. Hoyt,	Mr. Whitney,	
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The temporary Speaker announced that Hon. John P. Hoyt of Tuscola county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Speaker of the House.

Mr. Remer moved that a committee of two be appointed to wait on the Speaker elect, and conduct him to the chair;

Which motion prevailed.

The temporary Speaker appointed Messrs. Remer of St. Clair, and Hunt of Wayne, as such committee.

The committee performed the duty assigned them, and the speaker elect, on assuming the chair, addressed the House as follows:

GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE,—The return of another biennial period has again brought together the Representatives of the people to assemble (in connection with the honorable members of the Senate) in Legislature, and there enact such laws as shall be warranted by the constitution of the State, and as shall in your judgment be for the best interest of the people of the State of Michigan. And to be chosen as I have been by your kindly good will to preside permanently over the deliberations of such a body is indeed a high compliment, and allow me to assure you that as such I esteem it, and for it I return to you the sincere thanks of a grateful heart,

And allow me further to remind you that the duties which you and each of you are to perform are not merely nominal, but active, real duties demanded by an ever jealous and watchful constituency, who expect that each member of this House will so act as to merit the approbation of his own conscience, keeping always in view the properly expressed will of his constituents.

If each of you, as I feel sure you will, so act, I have no doubt but that we shall have a pleasant and harmonious session, and enact such laws as shall be for the best interest of this great and rapidly growing commonwealth.

Being chosen from among you by your free election, I feel sure that I may rely upon each and every member of this House to aid me in the discharge of the arduous duties which will devolve upon me, and to sustain those acts of mine which shall be proper and right, and kindly correct the many errors into which I shall doubtless fall. Trusting that such will be your course and that we shall have a profitable and pleasant session, and again thanking you for the high compliment which you have paid me, I now enter upon the discharge of the duties of the office which I have been so kindly called to fill.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,
The House proceeded to the election of Chief Clerk, with the following result:

FOR DANIEL L. CROSSMAN.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Sutton,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Sweetland,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Livingston,	Taylor,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Harden,	Morse,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Parker,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Preston,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Howard,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Howland,	Remer,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hubbard,	Rich,	Wilson,
Dow,	Huggett,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Hulbert,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Hunt,	Schattler,	63

FOR GEORGE W. CHANDLER.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow,	Kilbourne,	Moshier,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Knight,	Northrop,	Walton,
Benjamin,	Little,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Harris,	Mercer,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Hollon,	Metcalf,	Smith,	Wood,
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FOR M. D. BEDFORD,

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Packard,
Campbell,	Craig,	Norton,	7

FOR JOHN SMITH,

Mr. Klein,	1
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FOR S. E. KNAPPEN.

Mr. Goodyear,	1
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The Speaker announced that Daniel L. Crossman, of Ingham county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Clerk of the House.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House proceeded to the election of Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk, with the following result:

FOR HORACE R. HULBURD.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Livingston,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,
Berk,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Townsend,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Ocoboek,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Hart,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Preston,	Walker,

Mr. F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robins, Robinson, Sutton,	Mr. Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,	58
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FOR H. B. SMITH.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Moshier,	3
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FOR M. D. BEDFORD.

Mr. Bartow, Benedict, E. A. Brown,	Mr. Budlong, Campbell, Churchill,	Mr. Curry, Greiner, Harris,	Mr. Metcalf, Potter, Smith,	13
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FOR W. B. LANGDON.

Mr. Hale,	Mr. Packard,	3
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FOR SMITH TOOKER.

Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Little,	3
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The Speaker announced that Horace R. Hulburd, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk of the House.

Mr. Hewitt offered the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk, Sergeant-at-Arms, and the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, be and are hereby empowered to appoint each an assistant.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House proceeded to the election of Sergeant-at-Arms, with the following result:

FOR E. M. FITCH.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Berk, Billings, Briggs, C. Brown, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green,	Mr. I. Green, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes, Klein, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Livingston, Ludington, McLachlin, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins,	Mr. Robinson, Schattler, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,	65
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FOR BENJAMIN COVERT.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Moshier,
Bartow,	Campbell,	Knight,	Norton,
Benedict.	Churchill,	Mercer,	Ransom,
Benjamin,	A. K. Clark,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Cole,	Meyer,	I. P. Wheeler,
E. A. Brown,	Greiner,		22

FOR H. W. NORTON.

Mr. Whitney,	1
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FOR R. B. WEIGHTMAN.

Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Stowe,	3
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FOR H. C. HOPKINS.

Mr. Hull,	Mr. Packard,	2
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FOR GEO. F. LEWIS.

Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Little,	3
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The Speaker announced that E. M. Fitch, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the House.

Mr. Ferguson moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk be and are hereby empowered to appoint each an assistant.

Mr. Little moved to amend the resolution so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms, be and are hereby empowered to appoint each an assistant, and that the Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk be authorized to appoint an assistant whenever the committee on enrolling and engrossing bills shall deem it necessary that an assistant clerk be appointed;

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a committee from the Senate, who were received by the House, and announced that the Senate had completed its organization and was ready for business.

Mr. Ferguson offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be hereby authorized to appoint a keeper of the cloak room, two firemen, six messenger boys at large and one for himself, and that the Clerk be authorized to appoint a clerk's messenger boy.

Mr. Remer offered the following:

Resolved, by the House (the Senate concurring), That the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives in joint convention of the last Legislature, be, and they are hereby adopted as the rules of the present Senate and House, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The rules were suspended and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. E. H. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That the hour of meeting for the sessions of this House be at 10 o'clock A. M. until otherwise ordered.

Mr. Hertzler moved to amend by making the hour 9½.

Which was not agreed to.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to furnish each member with a copy of the Manual of the last regular session of the Legislature; Which was adopted.

Mr. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Benjamin B. Baker of Ingham be appointed postmaster of the Senate and House, to distribute all mail matter belonging to members of the Senate and House, at a compensation of three dollars per day.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of this House be instructed to procure one thousand copies of the daily journal of the House and Senate, for the use of the members of this House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Goodyear moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Honorable the Senate, and inform that body that the House has completed its organization, and is now ready for business.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Goodyear, Parker and Van Aken.

The oath of office was administered to the Chief Clerk, Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms elect, and the several named officers entered on the discharge of their duties.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Jan. 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That a committee of two be appointed by the President on the part of the Senate, to act with a like committee on the part of the House, to wait on the Governor and inform him that the two Houses are now organized and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The House concurred in the resolution.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Garfield, Wheeler, and Hertzler.

The committee appointed to inform the Senate that the House had completed its organization and was ready for business, reported that they had performed that duty, and were discharged.

Mr. Huggett offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the State printer be instructed to transmit to each county clerk in the State, one copy each of the journal of the House and Senate during the present session ;

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The rules were suspended and the resolution put upon its immediate passage.

On motion of Mr. Bartow,

The resolution was so amended as to read "Printer for the State," instead of "State Printer."

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

The committee appointed to act with a like committee from the Senate and wait upon the Governor and inform him that the two Houses are now organized and ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make, reported that they had performed that duty, and have to inform the House that His Excellency the Governor will be pleased to meet the two Houses in joint convention to-morrow, the 7th, at 10½ o'clock A. M.

Report received, and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 7, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. Struble.

Mr. Copley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Struble, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Preston called attention to an error in the Journal of yesterday, relative to absentees. The Journal including in the list of absentees the name of Philo H. Budlong, of the 1st District of Calhoun county, whereas he was in attendance, and desired the Journal corrected in that particular.

Whereupon the Clerk was instructed to make the necessary correction.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the House concurring), That the Senate and the House of Representatives meet in joint convention, in Representative Hall, to-morrow morn-

ing at 10½ o'clock, to listen to such communication as the Governor may be pleased to make.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully.

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House concurred in the resolution.

Mr. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That the judges of the Supreme Court be invited to seats in the hall during the joint convention.

Mr. Copley moved to amend by including the State officers;

Which was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess of ten minutes.

AFTER RECESS.

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 10½ o'clock A. M.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Copley moved that a committee be appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body that the House was ready to receive them in joint convention;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Copley, Armstrong, and Little.

After a short absence, the committee reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The Joint Convention was called to order by the Hon. Henry Holt, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the Senators were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President announced that the joint convention had assembled to receive any communication which His Excellency Governor John J. Bagley, might be pleased to make.

Senator Thomas moved that a committee of one on the part of the Senate and two on the part of the House be appointed to wait on His Excellency, the Governor, and the State officers, and inform them that the Senate and House were assembled in joint convention and were ready to receive any communication the Governor might be pleased to make;

Which motion prevailed.

The President appointed as such committee Senator Thomas and Representatives Rich and Kilbourne.

After a short absence the committee returned and reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor and State officers were in attendance.

Governor Bagley then read his message, as follows :

SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES :

The organic law of the State provides for the assembling of the immediate representatives of the people, for general action upon public affairs, but once in two years, and it therefore happens that changes of great importance, affecting the interests of the whole people, may occur during the recess of legislative power. Such has been the case since the adjournment of your predecessors at their regular meeting. A financial crisis of more than ordinary severity has been encountered by every section of the country, and the best thought of the nation has been taxed for measures of relief,—to a large extent unsuccessfully,—in fact, to such extent as to raise the inquiry whether too much is not expected from legislative remedies, and whether too little reliance is not placed upon the economies and recuperative energies of the people. History has failed to demonstrate that either legislative enactments or executive policies can provide the means of general prosperity, or ensure the revival of industries over an extended country, but it has taught the practical lesson that a people, relying upon their own industry and economy for advancement, will most surely succeed, while those who await the aid of government will find even the most direct and liberal legislative enactments inadequate.

Is it not time to accept and adopt the maxim that all solid prosperity must depend upon the frugality and energy of the people ?

The right road to the highest prosperity is productive industry, with reliance on the government only for general encouragement and ample protection.

That such is the belief, and, to a large extent, the practice of our own citizens, the facts developed by the State Census of 1874, give abundant proof.

The aggregate products of the soil, mines, and forests of the State for the year amount to \$145,000,000, distributed among the different interests as follows: Agricultural, \$84,000,000, consisting of 15,000,000 bushels of wheat, 21,000,000 bushels of corn, and 13,000,000 bushels of other grains, 14,000,000 bushels of potatoes, 1,400,000 tons of hay, 7,800,000 pounds of wool, 48,500,000 pounds of pork, 4,000,000 pounds of cheese, and 28,000,000 pounds of butter; cattle and horses estimated at \$7,000,000, and fruits estimated at \$5,000,000. Product of the mines, \$16,000,000, consisting of 880,000 tons of iron ore, 80,000 tons of pig iron, 22,000 tons of copper, and 1,000,000 barrels of salt. Product of the forest \$45,000,000. To this should be added the product of the mechanical and manufacturing labor of the State, the value of which can hardly be estimated.

The educational, charitable, and penal institutions of the State represent, in buildings, grounds, and personal property, \$2,492,900, distributed as follows :

University	\$443,000
Agricultural College	231,200
Normal School	60,950
Insane Asylums	620,720
Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind	429,090
State Public School	107,590
Reform School	238,300
State Prison	361,450

Our population is 1,334,111,—an increase of 149,473 since 1870.

There are 103 chartered banks in the State, with a capital of \$14,772,918, and deposits of \$18,185,617.

This partial exhibit of the productions and wealth of the State, while gratifying to our pride, should impress us with the responsibility resting upon us, to so guide our affairs as to make us fit possessors of so rich an inheritance.

The finances of the State are in an excellent condition.

Balance in the treasury Nov. 30, 1870.....	\$458,307 97
Receipts for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1871.....	1,510,178 83
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	\$1,968,486 80
Disbursements for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1871.....	1,274,364 14
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Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1871.....	\$694,122 66
Receipts for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1872.....	2,181,498 22
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	\$2,875,620 88
Disbursements for same time.....	1,898,396 85
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Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1872.....	\$977,224 03
Receipts for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1873.....	2,192,431 52
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	\$3,169,655 55
Disbursements for same period.....	2,314,942 11
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Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1873.....	\$854,713 44
Receipts for fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1874.....	2,246,199 33
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	\$3,100,912 77
Disbursements for same time.....	2,030,638 45
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Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1874.....	<u>\$1,070,274 32</u>
Of this balance there belongs to the Sinking Fund.....	\$563,862 90
To the Canal Fund.....	85,615 86
To the Trust Fund, to be transferred July 1, 1875, to Sinking Fund,	9,153 72
Agricultural College Fund, perpetual under Act No. 68, Laws of	
1871.....	107,879 14
Primary School Interest Fund.....	85,177 39
Military Fund.....	68,754 76
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	<u>\$920,443 77</u>

This amount has been received and is held in trust for the purposes named in accordance with law.

The amount of specific appropriations unpaid Sept. 30, 1874, was \$325,223 94. Under existing laws these appropriations are retained in the treasury to the credit of the different institutions or purposes to which they were appropriated, subject to draft only on actual disbursement. This system, making the State Treasurer the sole custodian of the public funds, while in-

creasing the treasury balance, protects the State from loss and increases its revenue from interest.

The bonded debt of the State has been reduced during the past four years as follows:

In 1871.....	\$33,735 71
In 1872.....	169,000 00
In 1873.....	454,157 14
In 1874.....	144,000 00
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	*\$800,892 85

Of this amount \$482,000 00 were purchased before maturity, the amount of interest saved thereby being \$202,913 85.

The funded and fundable debt of the State, Sept. 30, 1874, was as follows:

Interest-Bearing Bonds.

Sault Canal Loan Bonds, 6's, due July 1st, 1879.....	\$61,000 00
Renewal Loan Bonds, 6's, due January 1st, 1878.....	105,000 00
Two-Million Loan Bonds, 6's, due January 1st, 1878.....	333,000 00
Two-Million Loan Bonds, 6's, due January 1st, 1883.....	690,000 00
War Bounty Loan Bonds, 7's, due May 1st, 1890.....	366,000 00

Total Interest-Bearing Bonds.....\$1,555,000 00

Non-Interest-Bearing Bonds.

Adjusted Bonds due January 1st, 1863.....	\$3,000 00
War Bounty Loan Bond due January 1st, 1863.....	50 00
\$52,000 00 part paid Five-Million Loan Bonds, adjustable at \$578 57 per \$1,000 00.....	30,085 64
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	33,135 64

Total Bonded Debt.....\$1,588,135 64

The cash in the Treasury applicable to its payment is as follows:

Sinking Fund.....	\$563,915 93
Trust Funds received since July 1st, 1874.....	9,153 72
Canal Fund.....	85,615 86
Balance from sale of Two-Million Loan Bonds to pay adjusted and Five-Million Loan Bonds.....	33,135 64
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	\$691,821 15

Which leaves the total Bonded Debt of the State, less cash set apart for its payment, \$896,314 49.

The Trust Debt of the State is composed of the following funds and amounts:

Primary School Fund.....	\$2,157,179 53
Five per cent Primary School Fund.....	289,887 30
University Fund.....	335,287 39

* In addition to the above, \$27,000 has been paid since the close of the fiscal year.

Agricultural College Fund.....	\$107,879 14
Normal School Fund.....	51,038 66
Railroad and other deposits.....	2,590 35
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	\$2,943.862 37
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SINKING FUND.

This fund consists of the excess of specific taxes, after the payment of the interest on the public debt and trust funds in accordance with Sec. 1, Art. XIV., of the Constitution, which is as follows: "All specific State taxes, except those received from the mining companies of the upper peninsula, shall be applied in paying the interest and principal of the State debt, in the order herein recited, until the extinguishment of the State debt other than the amounts due to educational funds, when such specific taxes shall be added to and constitute a part of the primary school interest fund." And also the proceeds of the sales of Primary school, Normal school, and University lands, under the provisions of Sec. 413, of the Compiled Laws. In addition to the receipts from these sources, there has been placed to the credit of this fund, \$266,828 40 received from the General Government for re-imbursements of war expenses, and the further sum of \$200,000 transferred from the General Fund by authority of Joint Resolution of the Legislature in 1869. While the propriety of the action of the Legislature, or of the heads of departments in placing these two amounts in this fund at the time need not be questioned, the present condition of the fund, owing to the large increase in receipts from specific taxes, and the rapid diminution of the public debt, show very clearly that there is no necessity for longer retaining them there. However large the amount may be in the Sinking Fund, so long as it is derived from sources provided by the Constitution, not a penny of it can be diverted for any other purpose; but the right and power of the Legislature by proper enactment to transfer these two items from this fund to the General Fund cannot be doubted.

So believing, I recommend such legislation.

The present balance in the Sinking Fund is \$563,915 93. Should the transfer be made, the balance remaining as of Sept. 30, 1874, would be \$97,087 93. The following table of estimated receipts and expenditures of this fund show that after such transfer, by the year 1882, the whole bonded debt will have been provided for. These estimates are made upon the basis of the receipts and expenditures of the past two years. In this table it will be observed, that no estimate is made of any receipts from the sale of lands, and the results attained show very conclusively that there is no further necessity for these receipts being placed in this fund, and I therefore recommend that the law be amended, placing the receipts from the sale of lands in the General Fund.

Balance in Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1874.....	\$563,915 93
Deduct War Expenses reimbursed by General Government.....	\$266,828 40
And transfer from Gen. Fund, J. R. No. 7, 1869.....	200,000 00
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	466,828 40
Which leaves the Fund.....	\$97,087 53
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1875.....	505,000 00
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	\$602,087 53
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Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$173,292 79	
University Interest.....	80,617 97	
Normal School Interest.....	8,126 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	8,187 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	98,800 00	
		<u>\$308,474 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1875.....	\$298,612 94
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1876.....	510,000 00

\$808,612 94

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$182,889 79	
University Interest.....	80,897 97	
Normal School Interest.....	8,206 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	9,867 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	98,800 00	
		<u>\$320,104 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1876.....	\$488,508 85
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1877.....	515,000 00

\$998,508 85

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$192,872 79	
University Interest.....	81,177 97	
Normal School Interest.....	8,286 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	11,597 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	98,800 00	
		<u>\$381,734 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1877.....	\$666,778 76
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1878.....	520,000 00

\$1,186,778 76

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$201,912 79	
University Interest.....	81,457 97	
Normal School Interest.....	8,866 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	18,827 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	76,740 00	
		<u>\$326,804 59</u>

\$859,969 17

BONDS DUE in January and July, 1878.....	438,000 00
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Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1878.....	\$421,969 17
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1879.....	525,000 00

\$946,969 17

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$211,452 79	
University Interest.....	81,787 97	
Normal School Interest.....	8,446 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	15,057 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	54,210 00	
		<u>\$315,904 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1879.....	\$681,064 58
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1880.....	580,000 00

\$1,161,064 58

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$220,992 79	
University Interest.....	32,017 97	
Normal School Interest.....	3,526 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	16,787 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	54,210 00	
		<u>\$327,534 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1880.....	\$888,529 99
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1881	585,000 00
	<u>\$1,368,529 99</u>

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$230,582 79	
University Interest.....	32,297 97	
Normal School Interest.....	3,606 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	18,517 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	54,210 00	
		<u>\$339,164 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1881.....	\$1,029,365 40
Receipts for Specific Taxes in 1882.....	540,000 00
	<u>\$1,569,365 40</u>

Payments :

Primary School Interest.....	\$240,072 79	
University Interest.....	32,477 97	
Normal School Interest.....	3,686 18	
Agricultural College Interest.....	20,247 65	
Interest on Bonded Debt.....	54,210 00	
		<u>\$350,694 59</u>

Sinking Fund, Sept. 30, 1882.....	\$1,218,670 81
Bonds due January 1, 1883.....	690,000 00
	<u>\$528,670 81</u>

Balance January 1, 1883.....

The only demand existing at that date against this balance will be the War Loan Bonds, not due until May 1, 1890, of \$366,000, leaving as surplus, after paying the entire State debt, the sum of \$162,670 81.

This exhibit is certainly a gratifying one. The wisdom of the framers of the Constitution in making absolute provision for the payment of the public debt in the organic law, enables us to see and to prove the exact time when we shall be out of debt.

We shall not require for some time to come, any taxation for general purposes, and though engaged in the construction of the new Capitol, providing liberally for charitable and educational institutions, we need incur no debt, and can still keep the amount of taxation for those purposes at an extremely low rate.

Faithfully fulfilling every requirement of the organic law, paying every obligation as it matures, providing in advance for every appropriation, creating no new debt, and renewing no old one, the State furnishes an example to its citizens in its financial affairs well worthy of imitation.

Constant efforts have been made by the State Treasurer during the past four years to purchase the unmatured bonds of the State, with only partial success. The law only permits the purchase at par, and private parties are constantly offering more for them.

I therefore recommend that the State Treasurer, Governor, and Auditor General, be authorized to use the Sinking Fund in the purchase of any of the

bonds of the State at such rates as they may deem for the interest of the State. The Sinking Fund being a trust fund, devoted by the constitution to a particular purpose, should be taken out of the general balance of the Treasurer, and kept as an entirely distinct and separate fund. This would prevent any use of it for any other purpose than that for which it is dedicated, and would give the State officers and Legislature a thorough knowledge of the exact amount of money subject to use for general purposes at all times.

The act creating the Agricultural College fund says it shall remain a perpetual fund, the principal of which shall remain forever undiminished, but the State must pay to the College Fund seven per cent interest annually thereon, (see Sec. 3934, C. L.) This is a peculiar provision of law, and should be changed, placing it in the general fund, on the same footing with the other educational funds.

For the faithful assessment and collection of the revenues of the State, and their careful supervision and disbursement, the retiring Auditor General, Wm. Humphrey, and the retiring State Treasurer, Victory P. Collier, deserve heartiest commendation.

BANKS AND BANKING.

There are now in the State twenty-four banks organized under its laws. Of these, fourteen are banks of deposit and discount. They report Sept. 30, 1874, capital and surplus of \$1,391,328 57, with deposits of \$2,247,260 66.

The number of savings banks is ten, with capital and surplus of \$885,697 85, and deposits of \$4,210,684 22.

We have upon the statutes two distinct banking acts, one known as the general banking law, also containing provisions for the organization of savings banks, the other applies to savings associations alone. The latter permits the organization of savings banks with a paid in capital of only \$5,000 00. There is no necessity for the two acts, and this should be repealed. No savings banks should be allowed to transact business on so small a capital. I can not refrain from repeating the recommendations of my message of 1873, on this subject.

"I would respectfully recommend a revision of the general banking law, with additional legislation, providing for the establishment, in the office of the State Treasurer, of a Bureau of Banking; the examination of banks by the head of the Bureau; and requiring reports to be made and published, similar to the provisions of the National Banking Law. It is very questionable whether ordinary banks of deposit and discount should have the powers and privileges of savings banks; and whether savings banks should be permitted to do a general banking business. With our fast increasing population, growing wealth, and rapid industrial development, banks will multiply in a corresponding ratio, and I believe it to be one of the most important legislative duties to enact a strong and stringent banking law."

There is not a safeguard commended in this, that is not to be found in the "National Banking Act."

No complaint is made by any National Bank of the stringency of these provisions. They are of service to the banks and the public, giving additional security to stockholders and depositors, and stability to the system itself.

STATE LANDS AND ROADS.

During the two years ending Sept. 30, 1874, 550,788.55 acres of State lands were disposed of as follows:

Original Sales for Cash or Part Payment.

Primary School Land.....	82,288.12	Acres for.....	\$129,049 43
Agricultural College Land.....	19,245.84	"	60,627 42
Asylum Land.....	80	"	320 00
Internal Improvement Land.....	40	"	50 00
Asset Land.....	120	"	150 00
" Monroe City Lot.....	-----	"	300 00
Swamp Land.....	61,086.88	"	76,843 94
Belng.....	112,860.29	"	266,903 84
Patented for Roads and Ditches.....	821,972.25	"	410,960 56
Total Original Sales.....	<u>434,832.54</u>	"	<u>\$677,864 40</u>

Sales of Forfeited Land.

Primary School Land.....	3,068.21	Acres for.....	12,538 15
Agricultural College Land.....	80	"	285 00
Asylum Land.....	120	"	1,480 00
State Building Land, Lansing City Lots.....	-----	"	146 00
Salt Spring Land.....	40	"	160 00
Swamp Land.....	3,585.18	"	3,707 55
Total Sales Forfeited Lands.....	<u>6,843.39</u>	"	<u>18,296 70</u>
Total Sales.....	<u>441,675.93</u>	"	<u>\$696,161 10</u>

Patented to Settlers under Homestead Acts..	14,209.57	Acres.
" " " Act 168 Laws 1859	5,862.02	"
" " " 206 " 1861	75,546.53	"
" " " 239 " 1863	18,594.50	"
" " " 511 " 1867	400	"

Total Amount of Lands disposed of..... 550,788 55 "

The lands belonging to the State at the close of the fiscal year of 1874 are classified as follows :

	Acres
Salt Spring.....	1,315.63
Salt Spring forfeited.....	280
Asylum.....	680
Asylum forfeited.....	840
Agricultural College.....	169,153.56
Agricultural College forfeited.....	640
Internal Improvement.....	380.31
University.....	200
Asset lands.....	4,560.90
Primary School.....	380,899.01
Primary School forfeited.....	20,547.45
Swamp.....	2,460,850.45
Swamp forfeited.....	4,117.72
Swamp indemnity.....	18,823.92
	<u>3,063,288.97</u>

In addition to the above, 49,239 acres have been selected to fill a deficiency in the Primary School grant, but the patents have not been received from the General Government. Selections of swamp lands amounting to 19,863 acres have been approved, but are not yet patented. Owing to the low price of swamp land warrants but few contracts for building swamp land roads and ditches have been let; still, the swamp lands are being slowly swallowed up in this work. During the past two years 297½ miles of swamp land roads and

ditches have been constructed at a cost of \$414,304 83, payable in swamp lands, of which 127 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles were in the Lower, and 170 miles in the Upper Peninsula.

There remains under contract 68 miles. Since the construction and supervision of these roads by the Board of Control, and the Swamp Land Commissioners acting under them, their character has greatly improved, and they have been economically constructed. The construction of State roads has decreased to such an extent that there is no longer a necessity for the three Commissioners, and I recommend that the law be changed, reducing the number to two or perhaps one. The action of the Legislature of 1873, increasing the cash payments on school lands, and requiring stringent affidavits as to timber, has effectually cut off any frauds in this direction for the future. The large list of forfeited lands above given, show to how great an extent the State has been defrauded in the past.

Trespassers seem to mark these part-paid lands, and lands bid in by the State for taxes, as their own. The Commissioner has given especial attention to trespasses during the past year, the agent appointed by him having collected and paid into the Treasury in cash and bonds \$4,768 96, free of expense to the State.

The report of the agent, accompanying the Land Office report, contains many valuable suggestions on the spoliation of the public lands, to which your careful attention is asked. If by additional legislation the State can be protected from loss by trespassers, I hope it may be devised.

All of the lands claimed to have been irregularly sold in 1872, have been restored to the State, either voluntarily by the purchasers, or by order of the court, with the exception of 360 acres purchased by Wm. Harris,—this sale, upon investigation, having been found to be in accordance with law. The question of the validity of the sale of the lands of the Chicago and North Western Railway has not yet been decided by the courts.

During the past year I have caused the Swamp and Primary School lands in the mineral range of the Upper Peninsula, heretofore reserved, to be carefully examined and appraised, preparatory to offering them for sale. The minimum price to be placed on them by the State Treasurer and Governor has not yet been fixed, but will be soon, so that by another season they may be placed in market.

Now, while the business of the Land Office is so slight, would be a good time (if it ever is to be done) to cause an examination and appraisal of the lands belonging to the State in the Lower Peninsula. I cannot see why the State should not deal with its lands as an individual would, instead of holding them at an arbitrary price, fixed years ago. I beg to repeat the recommendations of my first Message on this subject.

The State and the counties lose a large amount annually by the non-payment of taxes on what are known as "part-paid" lands. It is estimated by the Commissioner of the Land Office that the amount already charged up as uncollectable is nearly \$30,000, and the amount due and unpaid is about \$40,000. Some measures should be devised whereby this loss can be prevented.

Under Joint Resolution, No. 15, Laws of 1873, the Governor was authorized to appoint an agent to prosecute to a final decision, claims for the five per cent due the State from the General Government from lands disposed of as Indian reservations, and by the location of military warrants, and to fix the compensation of such agent.

I became satisfied upon investigation of the subject, that under the law, no

claim for the fund arising from military warrants would be allowed, and that it would be a waste of time and money to present it.

I appointed Mr. Joseph R. Cook, of Washington, D. C., to prepare and present our claim for the fund accruing from the Indian reservations, and have received through him from the General Government \$12,754 61 on this account, which sum was deposited with the State Treasurer, Nov. 17th, 1874. The agent reports that he expects still more from this source, as the accounts are not yet finally adjusted and closed.

The compensation agreed upon was ten per cent on the first \$5,000 collected, five per cent on the second \$5,000, and two and one-half per cent on the balance. The amount paid him to date for services, is \$818 86.

EDUCATION.

The schools of the State have kept in advance of its progress in other directions. The primary school, graded school, Normal School and University are alike the objects of the earnest solicitude and jealous care of all the people. Founded by the wise foresight of our fathers, perpetuated and improved by a common experience of their benefits, every citizen feels that they are his own. The door of every educational institution of the State from the log school-house to the University swings wide and free for all.

The census of 1874 reports 436,105 children of school age of whom 326,142 attended school, an increase in two years of 31,000. When we reflect that nearly one-quarter of our population are in school, we cannot but be impressed with the great duty resting upon us to hold up the standard of a thorough, practical, sensible education.

There are 5,685 school-houses in the State, with 405,582 sittings. The total cost of these houses is \$8,889,568, and the total expenditure for school purposes in 1874 was \$3,408,632; number of teachers, 14,026; indebtedness of school districts \$1,175,130. The Primary School Fund at the close of the fiscal year was \$3,125,918.79, producing an annual income of \$213,016.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction is not yet printed, many of the reports from the school officers of the State not having been received.

THE UNIVERSITY.

In spite of the depression of business, and the multiplication of medical and law schools throughout the land, the University still retains its pre-eminence, not only in the number of its students, but in its work and accomplishments for higher education. The number of students in 1873 was 1,112; in 1874, 1,183. The graduating class of 1872 numbered 329; that of 1873, 313. The act of 1873, increasing the annual State appropriation to \$31,500, though of great assistance, has not yet placed the University on a sound financial basis, the estimated deficit for the year ending June 30, 1875, being \$23,800, an amount sufficient to absorb the Reserve Fund. In addition to this, \$12,000 of interest-bearing time warrants have been issued for enlarging the Laboratory and other purposes. These improvements were of paramount necessity and could not longer be delayed. The Board of Regents rely upon an increase in the amount of State aid, by the new equalization of 1875, from which to pay the deficit and warrants. There is no certainty, however, that the valuation will be largely increased, if at all, and I am of the opinion that an appropriation of \$12,000, to be used in the payment of the interest-bearing warrants, ought to be made. The Regents have not suggested

or asked this, but this creation of debt, in the present condition of the State Treasury, is not necessary or wise. The State, through any of its institutions, ought not to borrow money. The Regents are entrusted by law with the government and control of the University; they are chosen by ballot, but they have no power to pay debts, unless the means be provided by the Legislature, and they ought not to create them, except in great emergencies. This conviction being so firmly impressed upon my mind I am impelled to ask your approval of this appropriation.

The University is the people's; they founded it, have maintained it, are proud of it, and will support it.

The resources of the University are as follows: Trust fund in the hands of the State, at 7 per cent interest, \$435,287 39. Due from purchasers of land, at 7 per cent interest, \$107,480 85.

While our system of public education provides elementary instruction for all, the Normal School is fitting our youth for teachers, the Agricultural College offers practical instruction to tillers of the soil, the University graduates a small army of physicians and lawyers annually; but the great field of education in practical mechanics and technical pursuits is yet unoccupied.

There is no real reason why the State should furnish education in any one speciality and not another. The man whose child desires instruction in practical mechanics has the same right to expect it at the hands of the State, as the one who wishes his son to be an attorney or physician. The State fails in its duty when it neglects to provide for this department of education. The natural resources of the State require the services of skilled and educated labor to develop and improve them.

Ought we longer to delay action in this regard? A beginning may be made now, and, with small additions from time to time, by the year 1882, the public debt having been paid, a portion of the receipts from specific taxes could be devoted to this purpose, and thus, without realizing it from any increased burden of taxation, we should have this great want supplied.

The severest criticism made upon our system of education is its aimlessness. This is seen in the great number of educated and half-educated young men, looking for something to do, and yet not knowing how to do anything *well*.

Educated, intelligent, productive labor takes care of itself, and does not ask President or Congress, Governor or Legislature to make money plenty,—it makes its own money and knows how to use it.

NORMAL SCHOOL.

In its particular field, this institution has steadily grown and prospered. It is managed with care and economy. The attendance for 1871 was 446; for 1872, 495; for 1873, 486; while it now has 550 pupils.

The State Board of Education estimates its annual expenses at \$24,400, and its receipts from Trust Fund and tuition, at \$6,600, leaving a deficiency of \$17,800, for which amount they ask an appropriation for each of the years 1875 and 1876. The condition of the fund of this institution at the close of the fiscal year was as follows:

Trust Fund in the hands of the State drawing interest at 6 per cent, is	\$51,308 66:
Due from purchasers of lands, at 7 per cent.....	18,324 88.

Total.....	<u>\$69,363 54.</u>
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AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

The reports of this institution for 1873 and 1874 are not yet printed. Its accounts, inventory, etc., have been prepared for the printer, and have been placed in my hands. They give evidence of careful management.

The appropriations of 1873, for houses for the professors, the green-house, and other buildings have all been expended, and I judge economically.

The College Board estimate the current expenses for 1875, at \$31,477, and the receipts from interest and other sources at \$19,180, leaving the sum of \$12,297 to be raised by taxation. The estimate for current expenses for 1876, is \$31,307, and the receipts for the same time are estimated at \$20,180; deficiency for 1876, \$11,127. The Board also ask appropriations for buildings, repairs, and furniture, the sum of \$12,466. The entire appropriation asked for by the Board for two years is \$35,890, being \$30,110 less than the appropriations of 1873 and 1874. Of the estimates submitted by the Board for extra appropriations, \$4,750 is for buildings, needed, perhaps, but not all absolutely essential. I therefore recommend the reduction of the amount asked for buildings from \$4,750, to \$3,000, thus leaving the amount required for extras for each of the years 1875 and 1876 at \$5,358.

The College fund, Sept. 30, 1874, was as follows: Trust fund in State Treasury, \$107,879 14; due from purchases of part-paid lands, \$105,107 02; all drawing interest at 7 per cent., giving the College an income of \$15,390 31 per annum.

Unsold lands belonging to the College, Sept. 30, 1874, 169,793.56 acres. The number of students in 1871, was 141; in 1872, 131; in 1873, 143; in 1874, 121. The graduating class of 1873 numbered 15; of 1874, 21.

KALAMAZOO ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE.

For the first time in its history this Institution is ready to receive all recent cases of insanity that apply for admission, the extension or Male Department being completed. The whole number of patients treated during the past two years is 700. The number now in attendance is 481. The daily average in 1873 was 338, in 1874, 424.

The Trustees ask appropriations for the ensuing two years of the following sums:

For deficiency in Current Expenses.....	\$35,000 00
“ new boilers, chimney, boiler-house, laundry, new mattresses, etc., etc.....	19,250 00
“ new Male Department, being amount used for other than construction account.....	6,700 00
“ new steam engine, fixtures, etc.	1,800 00
“ permanent Repair Fund.....	4,000 00
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	\$66,750 00

The necessity for each item asked for is fully set forth in the Report of the Board. From the statistics of the number of insane in the State, it is apparent that this Asylum will be filled to its utmost capacity, and the incidental and contingent expenses will very naturally increase. The final completion of the extension, a complete asylum of itself, with rooms for 265 male patients, is a subject of congratulation. The two buildings at Kalamazoo will now accommodate 550 persons. In addition to the ordinary cares and duties of Superintendent of the Asylum, Doctor Van Deusen has given to the construction of the extension his personal attention and supervision. The result is to be seen in its comparatively small cost, and the excellent character of the work.

EASTERN ASYLUM FOR THE INSANE.

In accordance with the provisions of Act 120, of the laws of 1873, Dr. E. H. Van Dusen of Kalamazoo, Amos Rathbun of Grand Rapids, and George Hannah of South Haven, were appointed Commissioners to select a site for an additional Asylum for the Insane. They decided in June last to locate it in the city of Pontiac, and purchased a tract of land comprising 307 18-100 acres, in the city limits, as a site. The entire cost of the land was \$30,265 17, of which amount \$19,705 40 was paid by the citizens of Pontiac, and the balance by the State. The citizens of Pontiac have also entered into bonds to convey an abundant supply of water to the grounds and to construct a sewer therefrom. The Gaslight Company has agreed to lay the necessary pipe to furnish the buildings with gas, and the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad Company will construct a side track as soon as it is required.

After the selection of the site, in compliance with Sec. 4 of the Act, M. E. Crofoot and W. M. McConnell of Pontiac, were appointed as additional Commissioners, and S. G. Ives of Livingston county, was appointed commissioner to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of A. Rathbun. The plans are being prepared under the supervision of the Board, material for the foundation is being collected, and work will be commenced at as early a day as possible. The act appropriated \$400,000 for the construction of the buildings, and directs \$100,000 to be levied in each of the years 1873, '74, '75, '76. It was found impracticable to sufficiently mature the plans to permit of the erection of the shops and boiler-house last year, hence a considerable portion of the appropriation remains in the State Treasury. Since, as shown elsewhere, the number of the insane now in the State is sufficient to fill both of our asylums, it is hoped that the erection of the buildings will be pressed as rapidly as a proper regard for stability will permit.

THE DEAF, DUMB, AND BLIND.

The biennial report of the Trustees of this Institution will be laid before you. The legislation of 1873, and the active efforts of the Trustees and officers have largely increased the attendance. The average number in the institution in 1871 was 150; in '72, 165; in '73, 185; in '74, 203. It is to be hoped that these efforts will not be relaxed, until every deaf, dumb, and blind child of proper age, is gathered under its roofs, where they may be educated and fitted to better compete with their more fortunate fellows, and become self-sustaining citizens. It should be the duty and pleasure of supervisors, superintendents of the poor, and county officers generally, to see that this unfortunate class, receive the benefits that the State, for "sweet charity's sake," has provided for them in this institution. Radical and important changes, tending, I believe, to a broader and better usefulness of the institution, have been inaugurated within the past two years. The blind are being taught basket-making; type-setting has been added to the industries for the deaf and dumb; and sewing and cooking is taught to the girls.

Every child in the institution is instructed, not alone in the ordinary branches of what we commonly call education, but in the equally, and to them perhaps, more important education which will enable them to earn their own living. The increase in the number of inmates will augment the current expenses, and necessitate the purchase of additional furniture. The Board of Trustees ask appropriations for 1875 and 1876, as follows:

To pay foreman and assistants in the cabinet, shoe, and basket shops, and the printing office.....	\$10,000
For grading and ornamenting the grounds.....	2,000
For building sixty rods of sidewalk at \$8 per rod.....	180
For building one ice house.....	500
For building one barn.....	1,000
For building partitions in and ventilating dormitories.....	2,000
For building two water closets for dormitories.....	500
For erecting one brick building for shoe and basket shops and printing office.....	4,000
For buying and furnishing fifty additional beds.....	1,500
For building 200 rods of board fence.....	350
For digging one well.....	500
For current expenses for Institution for two years, including painting, repairs, boilers, engines, heating apparatus.....	90,000
Total.....	<u>\$112,530</u>

The necessity for each item of expenditure is fully set forth in the report of the Trustees. I am of the opinion that the item of \$90,000 for "current expenses for two years, including painting, repairs, boilers, engines and heating apparatus," should be divided, and that \$80,000 be appropriated for current expenses, and a separate sum of \$5,000 be appropriated for the other items.

The item of \$10,000 for foreman and assistants, the Trustees think may be safely reduced to \$8,000. I had hoped that we should not be called upon to construct any more buildings for this institution, yet the increased attendance, and the new but wise policy of teaching all the pupils some trade, may necessitate the erection of the shop asked for by the Board. If any addition could be made to the shops already built, it would be economy to do so, rather than to build anew. I recommend the appropriation for this purpose, however, as I have confidence in the judgment of the Board on the subject. The other items asked for by the Trustees are all necessary and should be provided for.

The total expenditures for 1874 were \$45,393 36. Of this sum there was expended for furniture, \$1,401; for buildings, \$1,327 32; new coil, \$125; new pump, \$584 80; and a new boiler, \$1,325 16.

Personal property, as per inventory, being in excess of the year 1873, \$10,581 11.

The report of the Board and officers is very full and complete in its details of the management and workings of this most beneficent State charity.

STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL.

This institution was opened in May, 1874, and there had been received at the close of the fiscal year 159 children. The present number is 162. The current expenses from its opening to Sept. 30 were \$7,021 72. I believe if the idea of the law founding this State charity, namely, "that it shall be a temporary home for neglected and dependent children from our poor-houses, where they shall be cared for and educated until homes can be found for them," is faithfully adhered to in its management; that this institution will in its results accomplish as much, if not more, real good than any other yet founded by the State. If it succeeds in *transforming* these children from paupers to producers, from dependent to independent citizens, it will be not simply a charity, but an economy, of which we shall be justly proud. I have full faith, from the success attending it so far, that it will prove all that its originators and promoters anticipated. Nine children have already been placed in good homes.

The construction account, as shown by the report of the Board, has exceeded the appropriations \$6,500, for which, together with the sum of \$2,000 for laying the gas main from the works to the premises, they ask an appropriation. The school has been open so short a time that no very close estimate can be made of its wants for the future, but the Board think \$25,000 will be required for general expenses for 1875. This estimate is made for 160 children, the full capacity of the present buildings. They also ask for \$3,000 in 1875 for the purchase of cows and stock, furniture, tree-planting, fencing and grading, library, horses, harness, and sleigh.

The returns from the several counties for 1874 report 468 dependent children under 16 years of age, most of them in the poor-houses of the State, 331 of whom are entitled to admission to the school. If these are all to be admitted,—and they certainly should be,—the number of cottages must be increased. It is not probable that room will need to be provided for all of those entitled to admission, as it is to be hoped that the number going out to homes will constantly increase, so that it does not seem necessary at present to build for 330 children. Yet provision should be made for many more than can be accommodated at present. Should you deem it best to direct the erection of two or more cottages, the wings of the main building, containing the shops and schools, will require to be raised another story, one for school purposes and one for employés' dormitory.

The Board of Control submit in their report estimates in detail of the cost of construction of these additional buildings, to which I call your attention. The estimate for general expenses for 1876 will depend upon the number of inmates, and this will depend upon your decision as to buildings. It must be remembered that the inmates of this institution have heretofore been supported in the poor-houses of the State, so that while it increases the appropriations from the State Treasury, it is saving the County Treasuries probably an equal amount. I commend this institution, its aims and wants, its purposes and prospects, to your earnest consideration. If it can be kept and maintained as a sort of half-way house between the poor-house and the heaven of a home, and not as a permanent residence for neglected children, it will return an hundred fold all the time and money expended upon it.

THE REFORM SCHOOL.

The reports of this institution for the past two years show a marked and decided improvement in every part of its management, whether as a school or workshop, a home or place of confinement, in its financial affairs, and on every side there are many evidences of progress. It has grown less prisony and is really becoming a Reform School. A quotation from the report of its officers for 1873 and 1874, regarding the unsightly and unnecessary fence surrounding it, are indications of how and why it has thus improved. The Legislature of 1873 declined to appropriate any thing for the building of the fence or wall, and the report for 1873 says that any person "must come to the conclusion that for a portion of those committed here we *must* either have impassable walls or an immense increase of overseers and watchman, to prevent escapes." The report for 1874, says of the wall or fence: "Admitting its restraining uses in the past or present, yet we have a large number of boys who can be restrained as effectually without it, and with more humanizing effect."

Of the appropriation of \$30,000 for current expenses for 1874, only \$22,500

was expended, and the balance was returned to the State Treasury, while the inventory of property on hand shows a gain for 1874 of \$8,335 92. The average number in the school for 1873, was 211; for '74, 222. The average time of detention in '73 was two years and seven months; in '74, two years and five months. The average age of boys received in '73 was 13 years 2½ months; in '74, 13 years 3½ months. The receipts for boys' labor for 1874, were \$11,826 06.

The Board of Control call attention to several changes in the law regarding commitments to the school, which they deem of importance, namely, that the age at which boys may be received be changed from ten to eight years; that the limit of detention be changed from twenty-one to eighteen; and that power may be given them, under proper regulations, to admit boys without the stain of conviction, and a record of the same to annoy them in their subsequent life. I am convinced that the limit of detention should be changed. If a boy entering this school at ten or twelve can not be fitted to go out into the world by the time he is eighteen, it would seem that he ought not to be the companions of one or two hundred young lads. Then, too, it seems to me that a boy at eighteen should have a chance for himself to see what he is made of.

Law and custom have regarded children of eight as not being responsible for crime; yet in our larger cities many boys of this age do commit serious crimes, and very many are well known to police officers, as surely growing up to become paupers and criminals.

If the law of 1873, permitting the Governor to appoint agents of the State Board of Charities and Correction in each county could be carried out, it would in a great degree solve this question. But the lack of any compensation to the agent has made the law a failure, as I have been unable to find any one to serve except in three counties. With these agents to investigate each case, and the State Public School acting concurrently with the Reform School, we ought to be able to care for every class of neglected, dependent, or criminal children, and with these, there would be no danger in changing the law as asked for by the Board. Without this or some better provision, I doubt very much the propriety of allowing parents or magistrates to commit children of eight, or those who have committed no crime, to the Reform School. In this connection I beg to call your attention to the law above mentioned, and to express the hope that it may be so amended as to make it operative. We owe it to the army of children abused by parents, neglected by community, arrested by policemen, homeless, houseless wanderers, that they have a show of fair play and justice and intelligent watchfulness, before we "send them up," and this act if put in successful operation will accomplish this result.

The Board of Control in their report ask that the sum of \$30,000 be appropriated for each of the years 1875 and 1876 for current expenses and \$500 for each year for library, periodicals and papers; also \$10,000 for the erection of a third family house. Since the report of the Board was prepared one of the boilers has given out, and a new one has been ordered. An appropriation of \$1,000 will be required for this purpose. Although it is quite certain that the receipts for the boys' labor will be less than they were in 1874, I am of the opinion that \$25,000 per annum will be sufficient for current expenses, and I believe the Board now think that this sum may prove sufficient. The appropriation for library, etc., is none too large. Each family house that has been erected has had a lifting up effect upon the school. It is to be regretted that this plan had not been adopted in the beginning, before so large an amount

was invested in the main buildings. It may be that some plan could be devised to convert a portion of the main building into a family house. If this can be done, it should be. If not, I hope you may be able to grant the appropriation asked for by the Board.

The report of the Board and officers is a model in completeness of detail, and well worthy your careful attention.

STATE PRISON.

The year just closed has been in many regards an eventful one to this institution. The panic of 1873 affected it as seriously perhaps as it did any of the general industries of the State. Two of the contracts expired in the midst of the panic, one of which was not renewed, and the other was renewed upon the basis of 50 instead of 125 men. Every effort has been made by the authorities to find some employment for the daily increasing population of the prison, but with the exception of a small number placed upon a cooperage contract, without success. The number of convicts in the prison Sept. 30, 1871, was 623; Sept. 30, '72, 589; Sept. 30, '73, 655; and Sept. 30, '74, 703; while the number at work on contracts in 1871 was 460, in '72, 440; in '73, 401; and in '74, 445, being 15 less in '74, with 703 convicts, than in '71 with only 627 convicts. Yet with this discouraging condition of its productive labor, the net earnings of the prison for 1874 were \$10,255 14. Had the same ratio of prisoners been at work on contract as in the three previous years, the earnings would have been at least \$10,000 more. The convicts not on contract, have been kept employed so far as was possible in improving the prison yard and State lot. The average price per day of convict labor for 1871, was 56½ cents; in '72, 57 cents; '73, 58½ cents; and in '74, 64½ cents. The experience of the past six years, is to my mind abundant proof that a well-conducted prison can and should always pay its current expenses and aid in the support of those who are dependant upon convicts, that are now often supported by the public. In this connection, would it not be wise to authorize the prison authorities to establish one or two industries in the prison, to be conducted by the Board of Inspectors, authorizing them to buy material and dispose of the product, for the purpose of keeping the convicts employed when no contracts can be let? I would like to see the experiment tested in a small way at first and under proper limitations. If successful (and I can see no reason why it should not be), it would increase the earnings of the prison in times of depression and tend to keep up the price of convict labor. One thing is certain, prisoners must work, not alone for the sake of the earning, but for health, for discipline, for life. The management of the prison in all its aspects has been satisfactory. The completion of a portion of the improvements now in progress has been of great assistance in maintaining discipline, and in the economies of the prison.

The increase in the number of prisoners gives the management much trouble and anxiety. There are 100 more convicts than there are cells, and no suitable accommodations can be provided for them.

Some better provision should be made for the insane convicts. The present building, though comparatively new, is entirely unfit for the purpose.

It is the universal testimony of prison officials, and probably the unanimous opinion of all those who have ever given any thought to the subject, that the allowance of good time to convicts, who, by their conduct merit it, has accomplished more real reform in the convict, more reform in prison management, and has done more to make prisoners obedient and manageable, than

all the whips and punishments ever devised. The increase of the allowance of this good time to long term convicts is earnestly urged by the Agent in his report. There must be, however, a limit to its operations. Where it should be placed is a question that deserves earnest consideration in the interest of community, both inside and outside the prison walls. The reports of the Board of Inspectors, Agent, and other officers are interesting and suggestive, containing much information on prison life and prison management.

There is no executive duty that so impresses me with its responsibility as the exercise of the pardoning power, as there is none so constant in its demands and so annoying in its persistency. The effect of pardons upon community and upon convicts cannot be rightly estimated. Each case has a foundation of its own, and taken by itself, would perchance not be objected to by any one; but when we see in the public press that a convict has been pardoned, or read in the Governor's Message that ten or twenty convicts have been pardoned during the year, we are apt to moralize over the effect of pardons, and to criticise the exercise of the power at all. Many pardons in one sense can hardly be called pardons. For instance, one man was pardoned by me two days before his time expired, as a reward for his exposure of a conspiracy to escape. Several have been pardoned while upon dying beds. I have always pardoned every one that the Prison Physician informed me was past recovery. Two have been pardoned upon the statement of the prosecuting attorney, who conducted the case, and the judge who sentenced them, that circumstances had come to their knowledge which convinced them of the entire innocence of the men. Desiring to know something of the effect of pardons upon the prisoner that might be a guide for the future and perhaps be of service to the public, I addressed enquiries to parties cognizant of the facts, asking a history of the man since his pardon. The replies received accompany the report of the pardons granted.

STATE HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The commissioners appointed under act No. 170 of the laws of 1873 to select a site and prepare plans for the State House of Correction have decided upon its location at Ionia. The site, comprising fifty acres of ground, with water supply and right of way for sewerage, was donated by the residents of that city. The commissioners have adopted a theory of construction, so far as expense is concerned, that is entirely new in prison architecture, unless the Detroit House of Correction be an exception, namely, to omit altogether massive stone masonry and heavy iron work, believing that the internal discipline and government should be of such a character as to prevent escapes. The walls and all the buildings are intended to be of brick, and of a plain substantial character, the estimated cost being \$270,000, with capacity for 500 prisoners. The plans, specifications, and map of the grounds will be submitted to you for consideration. The total expense incurred by the Board was \$1,033.

To recommend entering upon the construction of a new prison at this time, is not a pleasant duty, yet it is a duty. We have to-day in the State Prison and Detroit House of Correction 250 prisoners more than there are cells to keep them in. The State Prison can not be enlarged, and if it could, it should not be, as 600 prisoners is the maximum number that should ever be confined in one institution. To employ, clothe, feed, restrain, and govern 600 convicts is a task too great for any man. The Detroit House of Correction, though used for the confinement of many State prisoners, belongs to the city of

Detroit, and before a new prison can be completed will be needed for the use of that city and the county of Wayne. It, too, is as large as a prison should be, and the authorities of the city will not increase its capacity.

The question is not one of choice, but of necessity. Prisoners come to us from the courts and must be confined, fed, clothed, and employed.

The appropriation need not be for the whole amount estimated by the Board, as neither the whole number of cells nor all the shops require to be completed at once. After the wall and main buildings, with one block of cells are built, the remainder could be constructed as they are needed, and by convict labor.

I am of the opinion that an appropriation of \$75,000 for each of the years 1875 and 1876 would so far construct the prison as to make it tenantable for two hundred convicts, and I recommend such appropriation.

STATE INSTITUTIONS.

The annually recurring Reports of our Charitable Institutions, with their statements of expenditures and wants, of the constantly increasing demands upon them, while they bring us in closer and closer connection with the unfortunate and diseased side of humanity, are apt at the same time to excite our criticisms upon the system, especially so as regards the seemingly large public expenditure necessary to conduct them. The aggregate of current expenses for the year surprises us. We are told at each succeeding session of the Legislature that this or that institution is full to overflowing, and that additions must be made, or the construction of a new one must be begun, and thus are led to inquire if expenditures in these directions are never to cease. These are the reflections that challenge my attention on every personal examination, and when the yearly budgets are presented.

A deeper insight, however, into the system and its practical results, show that the State manages them better than any other power, that they are really a saving to the public instead of a wasteful expenditure, and above all, that they are an absolute necessity.

The number of unfortunates in the State, deaf, dumb, blind, insane, and idiotic, is nearly, if not quite, three thousand.

They must be cared for, either by friends or by the public. Proper care by friends, whether rich or poor, is impracticable; such care, therefore, devolves upon the State.

The framers of the Constitution recognized this duty by declaring in that instrument "that institutions for the deaf, dumb, blind, and insane shall always be fostered and supported."

The annual saving to the State by the withdrawal of an insane person from the consuming, and adding him to the producing classes, can not be fully estimated, but there is no doubt that the money value to the State, of the patients restored to health by the Asylum at Kalamazoo, aggregates more than the entire cost of construction and maintenance of that institution.

The economy of hospitals for the insane, in another direction, is shown by the percentage of cures of those placed under immediate treatment. The ratio restored to health and reason that are treated within two months of the attack is 70 per cent; of those treated within five months 47 per cent, within twelve months 39 per cent, and of those not treated within two years only 17 per cent.

The education of the deaf, dumb, and blind is also a pecuniary gain to the community, in so far as it enables them to support themselves.

The education and care of criminal, neglected and dependent children is an

investment that yields a larger profit than perhaps any other made by the State.

The almost absolute certainty that eight-tenths of these classes, if left to drift alone, will become in some way permanent dependents upon the commonwealth, is ample proof of the correctness of this statement.

The annual cost to the State for the support of a convict, and the loss to the public of the value of his labor, make reformatory prisons a real economy. If we cure criminals we save money.

Our treatment of pauperism in the county poor-houses, as a rule, is of the most expensive nature, in so far as results are concerned. They increase instead of curing it. The recommendations of the State Board of Charitable Institutions on this subject are in the line of practical statesmanship, and deserve careful consideration.

The proportion of insane persons, convicts in prison, and confirmed paupers, is one of each class to every thousand persons. If we grow in population, these also grow, so that we shall always have "these poor with us." The reports of the Superintendents of the Poor for 1873 show that the poor-houses and jails had in that year, 512 insane, 190 idiotic, 54 blind, and 15 mute persons as inmates.

The total cost of maintaining the present charitable and penal institutions of the State is less than sixteen cents per capita for each inhabitant.

The inevitable conclusion from the consideration of this subject, putting aside the requirements of the constitution, the demands of a common humanity, the teachings of a higher civilization, and the obligation of duty, must be that we should foster and support these institutions as measures of public economy.

NEW CAPITOL.

The work upon the new Capitol has progressed rapidly and to the entire satisfaction of the Board of Commissioners. The expenditures from the beginning of the work to the close of the fiscal year, have been \$378,346 84, and the balance in the Treasury to the credit of the building fund was \$131,653 16. The Commissioners in their report, suggest several changes in the material and construction, for your consideration. The change asked for in the roof is, in my opinion, absolutely necessary. The investigations made by the Commissioners relative to the durability of iron as a suitable material for the roof of a building of this character, show conclusively its unfitness, and I recommend such action by you as will enable them to substitute tin or copper laid on brick arches in its place. The change will cost not to exceed ten thousand dollars, and I recommend an appropriation of that amount.

In the original plans and specifications no reference was made to heating and ventilation; as this work will require to be begun before another meeting of the Legislature, an appropriation will be necessary for it. The Commissioners have not yet decided upon the exact plan to be adopted, but they estimate that it will cost from sixty-five to seventy thousand dollars. The appropriation when made can be divided, one-half in the tax of 1875, and the balance in 1876.

The suggestions of the Board relative to the change in main entrance are commended to your consideration, and your decision desired thereon.

RAILROADS.

The report of the Commissioner of Railroads for the year ending Dec. 31, 1873, is before you. At that date Michigan had 3,719 miles of railroads, of which 3,253 miles were main track. The cost of construction and equipment is \$141,582,400, represented by capital stock of \$60,831,492, and bonded and floating debt of \$90,414,847. The net earnings for 1873 were 5.06 per cent on the total cost. The earnings of eighteen companies were \$2,693,264 less than their operating expenses and interest account. This is certainly a very unsatisfactory showing, and cannot fail to elicit inquiry as to the cause. With unequalled facilities for constructing and running roads cheaply, with no restrictions in our statutes as to rates of freight, and comparatively none as to passenger rates, the reasons for this condition of affairs must be entirely inside the business itself.

Railroads are something more than mere private enterprises. They are not only a public convenience but a public necessity. They have, in a large measure, taken the place of the highway known to the common law, and so far occupy the same relations to the public. By the law of necessity they must be made subservient to the public ends. The public are directly interested to see to it that these roads are constructed and operated honestly; that the capital invested in them represents the actual cost of their construction and equipment, and that they are managed and operated alike for the benefit of their owners, creditors, and the public, and with a view to the public convenience and interests.

The companies organized under our laws, investing their money within our borders, expect and are entitled to just and liberal treatment from us, and they certainly have no reason to complain of the State in this regard. Yet, we see this large interest making little, if any return to its owners, and are tempted to ask if the State in its legislation can do nothing to give it value. Stockholders and bondholders will ere long, if they are not already doing so, make the same inquiry.

It must be evident to a careful observer, and the reports made to the Commissioner go to prove, that the system of corporations organized within and inside the railroad corporations, known as "Transportation Lines," "Despatch Companies," "Car-Loaning Companies," "Fast Freight Lines," "Sleeping and Palace Car Companies," are sapping the life-blood of the railroad companies. They are earning hundreds of thousands, if not millions of dollars on the track of our railroads, not a dollar of which finds its way into the treasury of the road. These corporations pay good dividends, but the railroad stockholder gets none, and the bondholder receives no interest. Parties whose money is invested in our roads should reap some benefit from it; we want low freights and fare for our own citizens; but we cannot expect them, if the roads are to be used for the benefit of outside corporations. Do we not owe it to our people and to the holders of \$150,000,000 of property in this State, to protect them from this loss, if possible? When we remember that the railroad bonded debt issued under the laws of the State is \$90,000,000, an amount far in excess of all the State, city, town, county, and school debt, ought we not, as a State, to aid in every just way in sustaining their credit?

In the present necessary system of running through trains, with so many competing lines in other States, seeking for business, the difficulties in the way of legislation seem almost insurmountable, without the co-operation of sur-

rounding States; but the subject seems to me to deserve your thoughtful consideration.

The public demand sleeping and palace car accommodations, and our roads must be enabled to meet it. For them to do so it will be necessary to amend the railroad charters and the general railroad law, permitting them to run such cars and to charge proper rates for their use.

The Commissioner suggests several needed amendments to the railroad law, all of which he deems important, and to which your attention is directed.

MARQUETTE AND MACKINAC RAILROAD.

Act No. 136 of 1873, amended in 1874, granting ten sections to the mile of swamp land in the Upper Peninsula to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Straits of Mackinac to Marquette, has not accomplished the hoped-for result. The panic of 1873, and the depression in business since, with other causes, have prevented any new railroad enterprises.

I do not know that any action can be taken by you, that will hasten this work; but if any reasonable and proper addition to the grant would do it, I most earnestly recommend it. When it is remembered that we have in the Upper Peninsula a population of 61,800 persons, who export every thing they produce, and import every thing they consume, it would seem that this great commerce of our own citizens ought not to be diverted from us to other States, as it now is. The construction of this road would give our farmers, manufacturers, and traders a market for their products, from which they are now practically excluded. So, too, it would give our miners a winter market for their products.

The swamp lands of the Upper Peninsula, amounting to 1,789,612.51 acres were given to the State by the General Government for the purpose of building roads and ditches and reclamation. Wagon roads are being built by grants of these lands, and they are gradually slipping away, year by year, yet doing but little for the real development of the country.

I firmly believe, if a grant of the whole of them would construct a railroad from Mackinac to Marquette, and another from L'Ance to Houghton, and thence up the Mineral Range, it would be wise policy to make it.

It must be borne in mind that this is not a question of "land grants" in the ordinary acceptation of the term. It is a question of whether the lands already granted shall be given for wagon roads or a railroad.

The State has 240,358.30 acres of other than swamp lands in the Upper Peninsula that would be largely increased in value by the construction of these roads.

ST. MARY'S FALLS SHIP CANAL.

The business of this canal for the past two years has been as follows:

Tonnage passing through for 1873.....	1,204,445 tons.
" " " " 1874.....	1,287,800 "
Gross receipts for 1873.....	\$44,943 18
" " " 1874.....	45,387 74
Copper carried through 1873.....	15,927 "
Pig Iron " " " ".....	39,849 "
Iron Ore " " " ".....	504,121 "
Copper " " 1874.....	19,518 "
Pig Iron " " " ".....	41,904 "
Iron Ore " " " ".....	505,384 "

Tolls were reduced by the Board of Control July 1, 1873, from 4½ cents to 3½ cents per ton.

The amount of State bonds issued for the canal outstanding Sept. 30, 1874, was \$61,000, while the balance to the credit of the canal at the same date was \$85,615 86. The State having thus been fully reimbursed for its expenditures, it was decided to expend the surplus earnings of the canal in putting it in complete repair, and orders to that effect have been given the Superintendent. The mouth of the canal was ordered dredged. New gates were ordered for the lower lock. The piers at both ends were ordered repaired, and those at the lower end extended. It is estimated by the Board that the net earnings for 1875 will enable them to accomplish these improvements, and that by 1876 they will be enabled to reduce the tolls to an amount sufficient to pay running expenses and a small surplus for contingencies.

The repairs and improvements are absolutely necessary, as the piers, gates, and timber work are very badly decayed.

PORTAGE LAKE AND LAKE SUPERIOR CANAL.

The work upon this canal has been completed according to the plans and specifications. Upon its completion the company requested me to issue my certificate to that effect, that they might therewith acquire title to the land grant made by Congress to the State for the purpose of constructing the canal. As the title to the lands upon which the canal was constructed was vested in individual hands, I held that the work was not completed in accordance with the act of Congress or the laws of the State, so long as neither the company nor State owned the bottom and banks of the canal. Application was made by the canal company to the Supreme Court for a mandamus to compel me to issue the certificate, which was denied. Thereupon the owners of the lands offered to deed the right of way to the canal company, and again asked for my certificate. I again refused to issue it until the canal itself, with the right of way, was conveyed to the State or the United States. This the company has refused to do, claiming that the act of 1865 gives them the ownership and control of the canal. I have claimed, on the contrary, that the act of Congress conferring the grant does no such thing. In the meantime the canal company has been placed in bankruptcy; the United States Court has appointed a receiver over it; has fixed the rate of tolls, and given the receiver absolute control of its management. In its present condition, if the company were to accept the construction of the act claimed by the State, they have no power to convey the canal.

The State and Canal Company are so widely apart in their construction of the law that the decision of a competent tribunal as to ownership is the only way the question can be settled. Under existing laws the State can not bring the case into court, and I respectfully urge the prompt passage of an act enabling it to do so, that the question may be finally settled. Until the Canal is accepted, the State has no control over it, to fix the tolls, or keep it in repair; the Canal Company and its bond-holders can not get possession of the lands; the counties in which the lands lie are losing the taxes that should be paid on them, and the whole interest is in a state of perplexing uncertainty. I can not think it possible that Congress, in conferring the grant, or the State in giving the company the contract, ever intended that the canal, when constructed, should become the property of any individual or corporation.

TAXATION OF RAILROAD LANDS.

The Legislature of 1873 passed an act providing for the assessment and taxation of lands known as railroad lands.

The Flint and Pere Marquette Railroad Company, acting I presume for themselves and all the land-grant roads, commenced suit in the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District, in chancery, to test the constitutionality and validity of the act. Deeming the case of great importance to the State, involving a large amount of money, and knowing that able counsel would present the case on the part of the complainants, I advised and directed the employment of Messrs. Charles A. Kent, E. W. Meddaugh, Alfred Russell, and Charles Upson, as counsel to assist the Attorney General.

The case was argued in Detroit, before Judges Emmons and Longyear. Judge Emmons delivered an elaborate opinion, which was concurred in by Judge Longyear, sustaining the validity of the act, subjecting such lands to taxation. The complainants have appealed the case to the Supreme Court of the United States, where it is now pending, and the question is of such moment to the State, and to the counties in which these lands are situated, that I have deemed it my duty to employ counsel to defend the suit there also. The State has joined with the railroad companies in requesting the court to advance it on the docket, so that it may be heard during the present session of the court.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT.

I desire to call your attention to the very able and full report of the late Attorney General. It gives a clear statement of the business of that office, and of the condition of all the legal matters in which the State is a party.

The recommendations of the report regarding needed amendments to the Statutes, deserve your careful attention, especially those regarding "the misappropriation of public moneys," "imprisoning" witnesses in criminal cases, and the "insurance laws."

The John claim is finally closed.

The long standing unsettled accounts of the Supreme Court Reporters have been satisfactorily adjusted.

FISH CULTURE.

The Fish Commission, established by the Legislature in 1873, was organized in May of that year by the appointment of George Clark of Wayne, and George H. Jerome of Berrien, as Commissioners.

Mr. Jerome resigned in 1874. A. J. Kellogg of Allegan was selected to fill the vacancy, and Mr. Jerome was appointed Superintendent of Fisheries. The expenditures of the Board from its organization to Dec. 1, 1874, have been \$9,313.05, of which sum \$2,687.91 is invested in buildings and fixtures at the State Hatchery in Pokagon, leaving as the real expenditure in hatching and distributing 4,900,000 fry the sum of \$6,625.14. The success attending this work thus far is sufficient proof that fish culture in Michigan is no longer an experiment. A continuance of the appropriation of \$7,500.00 per annum is suggested by the Board as necessary to carry on the work. There can be no doubt that in a very few years the returns from this expenditure will prove it a wise and prudent investment.

The Report of the Board of Commissioners is very full and complete, giving in detail an account of their labors, and I ask for it your thoughtful attention.

MILITARY.

The Military Law of 1862 was, at the last regular session of the Legislature, carefully amended with the intention of placing the military of the State upon a more substantial footing. On the 30th of Sept., 1872, the entire Militia of the State consisted of nine companies of State Troops with a strength of about 360 men. Since that time seven companies have been added, increasing the number to 1,020. Under the law, the Commander-in-Chief was authorized to increase the number to twelve during the year 1873, and to add four each year till the number should reach twenty-four. On the 6th of July last, sixteen companies had been accepted and mustered into the State service, and were on that date formed into two regiments, designated the 1st and 2d. Headquarters of the former at Jackson; the latter at Grand Rapids.

Under authority of the law, the Military Board have prepared rules and regulations to aid in making it effective, a system of company and regimental accountability has been adopted, and enlistments, musters, inspections and uniform discipline have been provided for, and will be rigidly enforced.

On the 6th Sept., 1873, the "Grand Rapids Guard" was ordered to Muskegon upon the requisition of the Sheriff of that county, to prevent a threatened release and lynching of a prisoner.

March 26th last, the "Grand Rapids Guard," upon a call of the Sheriff, was ordered to Gowan, Montcalm county, to assist in quelling an expected riot at that point.

On the 23d of last July a battalion, consisting of Companies "A" and "C," 1st Regiment, was ordered to Ishpeming, in Marquette county to aid in suppressing an expected disturbance among the miners in that vicinity. As the expense of sending troops such a distance would be necessarily large the utmost precaution was taken to ascertain the exact condition of affairs, and the order was not given until repeated inquiries were made of prominent citizens of the county, and telegrams received urging that troops be sent at once, as the destruction of life and property seemed imminent, and a second peremptory call for aid had been received from the Sheriff of the county. The statutes leave no discretion with the commander-in-chief to withhold troops when called upon by the proper officers for them.

Section 875 of Compiled Laws provides that the compensation of troops on such occasions shall be paid by the county where such service is rendered. Accordingly bills were sent by the officer commanding the troops to the Board of Supervisors of Marquette county, but they have refused to audit or pay them.

Under the present law the State authorities seem powerless to compel the payment. I respectfully ask that this defect be remedied.

Act No. 91 of 1873 provided for the transfer of insane inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Detroit, or of county jails in the State, who had been soldiers or mariners and credited to the State, and all such soldiers or mariners who might thereafter become insane, to the Asylum at Kalamazoo. Fifteen have been ordered admitted, one has escaped, one died before reaching there, leaving thirteen in the Asylum at the expense of the State. Effort has been made to give publicity to the act, and it is believed that all entitled to its benefits have been cared for.

Disbursements made by the Quartermaster General for the two years ending Sept. 30, 1874, have been as follows:

Adjutant General's Office.....	\$2,944 28
Quartermaster General's Office.....	2,358 02
Quartermaster General Sundry accounts	14,605 95
Inspector General's Office.....	91 70
State Military Board	266 15
Insane Soldiers.....	629 40
Regimental Head Quarters.....	53 00
Military Museum.....	225 88
State Uniforms.....	29,512 00
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	\$50,685 88

The last item was for 1,200 suits of uniforms complete. As there will only be eight companies to uniform and equip in the ensuing two years, the military expenses will be largely diminished for the future.

The Soldiers' Home at Harper Hospital still continues a necessity for the temporary relief of disabled soldiers, and it is also indispensable as an intermediate place of shelter for many while waiting to obtain admission to a National Asylum. The number of soldiers cared for at the Home during the two years ending Sept. 30, 1874, was 114; number admitted during same time, 103; number of inmates Sept. 30, 1872, 11; number Sept. 30, 1874, 7. Expenditures for the two years for their care, \$5,935 20; amount paid out in same time for transportation and relief to indigent soldiers, \$247 85.

STATE LIBRARY.

It gives me much pleasure to call your attention to the excellent condition and good management of the State Library.

The appropriation of 1873 has enabled the Librarian to make many valuable additions to it, in the past two years. It now contains 45,745 books, pamphlets and maps, valued by the Librarian at \$95,000. An appropriation of \$1,500 per annum for each of the years of 1875 and 1876 is asked for, and I fully concur with the Librarian in recommending it. The appropriation for 1873 and 1874 was \$2,500 annually.

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The first annual Report of the State Board of Health has been placed before you. It gives evidence of earnest labor in matters pertaining to the life and health of the people. Direct and immediate results of the work of the Board are not to be expected, but I am of the opinion that the public good will be materially and surely enhanced thereby.

STATE PRINTING.

The Legislation of 1873, regarding the number, style, etc., of our public documents very largely reduced the cost of paper and printing, while it also provided for a more general and careful distribution than ever before. I believe that no State in the Union gives to its citizens so full and complete reports of its institutions and business as does ours.

Since the distribution and sale of the Supreme Court reports has been placed under the control of the State Librarian, the receipts from this source have largely increased. The receipts in 1871 and '72 were \$1,414 48 against \$8,896 55 in 1873 and '74. I am of the opinion that the law requiring 6000 copies each of the Agricultural and Pomological reports to be printed annually should be amended, so that they should be printed and bound together. The saving in printing paper, binding and distribution would be fully \$5,000 per annum.

The Agricultural reports are not printed until the facts they contain and the information they seek to convey have passed into history. Our prominence in agriculture in all its different branches deserves something better. It would seem that this report should embrace every branch of agriculture and be a condensed, concentrated history of the progress of the State from year to year in this important interest. The Agricultural report for 1873 is not yet printed, a portion only of the copy having been furnished to the State Printer.

INSURANCE ON STATE PROPERTY.

The Trustees of the different State Institutions desire your instructions on the subject of fire insurance of the State property under their charge. There is not at present any uniformity of action, a portion only being insured. The expense of insuring all the State property is very large. I believe at the present time that only the University, Normal School, and Agricultural College are insured.

IMMIGRATION.

The marked decline of foreign immigration to the United States, and the present condition of the labor market, induced me to direct the closing of the office and to recall the Commissioner, which I did in November last. The agency in New York City was closed by my order Nov. 1, 1873. The report of the Commissioner for 1873 and 1874, giving in detail an account of the operations of the office, will be laid before you.

INCORPORATION OF CITIES AND VILLAGES.

The general act for the incorporation of villages passed in 1873, has been declared unconstitutional in some of its provisions by the Supreme Court. This and the general act for the incorporation of cities are of so great importance, and save so much of the time of a Legislative session, that it is to be hoped they will be perfected by you.

INSPECTION OF SALT.

The careful supervision of the manufacture of salt, and the rigid inspection required by our laws, with the improved methods of manufacture adopted, is giving to Michigan salt a greatly improved reputation.

The product for the two years ending Dec. 1, 1874, was 1,850,325 barrels, an increase over the two preceding years of 379,334 barrels. The largely increased product will allow of a reduction of the inspection fees from 1½ cents per barrel to one cent, and I recommend the amendment of the inspection law to that effect.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

The Geological Survey, under the supervision of Dr. Chas. Roeminger, State Geologist, has been steadily pursued. The investigations of the past two years have been mostly confined to the salt, coal, and gypsum deposits of the State, but are not so far completed as to make their publication advisable.

THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

We legislate continually in behalf of the insane, the poor, the deaf, dumb, and the blind, deeming these large classes as deserving our care. But we have in our midst a class larger by far than all these combined, whom we neglect entirely. I mean the victims of intemperance. If there is an evil that threatens our life, above and beyond all else, it is intemperance. It reaches its

bony hand into almost every family. Its army, though losing its hundreds weekly, is recruited daily by its hundreds more. Pauperism, crime, insanity, disease, and death are its direct results, and untold private griefs and miseries, want and wretchedness spring from its myriad planted seeds.

The United States Revenue Department report 6,444 places in this State engaged in the business of selling liquors. Their receipts must average \$20 per day each, or over \$38,000,000 per annum,—a sum three times greater than all the taxes of every nature annually levied in the State. Four years' receipts would build every railroad in the State.

On the statute-books of the State stands a law, the constitutionality of which has been affirmed and re-affirmed by the Supreme Court, which declares this whole business illegal, and each one of the principals, liable to fine and imprisonment. Not less than 5,000 persons are daily violating this law. If 5,000 or 1,000 persons were daily violating the law as to petty larceny, there would be arrests without number. What makes the difference? Is it not the fact that public sentiment sustains the one and not the other! Every good citizen abhors drunkenness, and shudders at the countless evils that follow in its train. But is it not evident that the large majority are not in sympathy with our present legislation, which attempts to prohibit it and so utterly fails in its object? Is there no better way? Can there not be some plan devised that will receive the assent and support of all the people, to dry up the sources of this evil? There will always be drinking and drunkenness. We can not hope by any agency to stop it entirely. But with the moral support of the great teachers of home, school, and press, can we not have the aid of intelligent legislation that will diminish the intemperate use of liquor?

The constitution will not allow license, and if it did, is there any reason why we should license liquor-selling, that would not apply to any other business? The theory of license is not permissive only but for revenue also, and if revenue were required, any business could be licensed. License left to municipalities, would in many of them simply be a farce. License would be a constant source of turmoil and debate in every locality. Every election would bring forth its license and no-license, high-license, and low-license candidates.

Why not recognize the fact that there is a difference between drinking and drunkenness: and put on the statute-book stringent laws regulating the sale of liquor, prohibit its sale to minors and apprentices, to those who are known as common drunkards, compel the closing of liquor shops on holy days, and at a reasonable hour at night, retain the present personal liability law for damages, require ample bonds for the observance of such laws, and then levy a State tax on the business, to be collected by State authority, making a broad distinction in the amount of the tax between the sale of distilled liquors, and malt beverages? Put the tax beyond the control of any one excepting the State. Could we not reduce the six thousand liquor shops fully one-half by such a law, and would not this reduction in number, reduce the consumption of alcoholic stimulants in almost as great a proportion?

In behalf of temperance and sobriety, of good morals and manly living, in behalf of the State whose laws are hourly violated with impunity, I urge all men of different views and opinions to get together on some common ground, and make the experiment. If made, let it be done honestly. If the prohibitory law is to be repealed, let the enactment of one regulating the traffic take its place. After two years' trial, we can then judge which has been productive of the most good. However well a law may be framed and executed, it must

not be relied upon to regulate habits and tastes. Education, self-culture, self-control, example and precept, are much more efficient helps to temperance than statutes.

NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Of the commissions issued to Notaries Public during the session of the Legislature of 1871 over 1,000 were returned to the Secretary of State not taken, and of those issued during the session of 1873, 881 were returned. The State fee fixed by law to be paid by notaries is one dollar, and I earnestly urge the passage of a law requiring the payment of this fee into the State treasury before the commission is issued. The labor of keeping accounts with the county clerks, signing, sealing, indexing, and mailing these commissions, costs the State as much as the fee.

RELIEF FUND.

The Fire Relief Fund Committee placed in my hands July 30, 1873, the balance of the Relief Fund, being \$1,342 75. I have disbursed the following amounts to the parties named:

Aug. 1, 1873. Sent for the relief of the inhabitants of the village of Michigamme, burned out.....	\$200 00
Oct. 25, 1873. Donated to the committee for the relief of yellow fever sufferers of Memphis, Tenn., Mayor H. Moffatt, Chairman.....	200 00
Dec. 1, 1873. Paid Harper Hospital, Detroit, for care of F. Lucey, sufferer by fire in Huron county.....	32 00
Jan. 23, 1874. Sent for the relief of the families of six men of Alabaster, who lost their lives in an effort to save two men afloat on the ice in Saginaw Bay.....	200 00
Jan. 23, 1874. Sent to the Supervisors of Lake county for the relief of the poor settlers of that county.....	200 00
Aug. 7, 1874. Sent to Muskegon for the relief of sufferers by fire,	200 00
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	\$1,032 00
Balance in my hands.....	310 75
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	\$1,342 75

I hold vouchers for all of above disbursements.

CENTENNIAL.

In the summer of 1876 the people of Pennsylvania and the city of Philadelphia are to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of the Nation, by appropriate ceremonies. An invitation has been extended to our people to take part therein. I beg to refer the subject to you for your consideration.

SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES:

The variety and importance of the subjects to which your attention has been called, are evidences of the intellectual progress of the people, and the development of the material interests of the State. The immediate care of these interests has been entrusted to your hands. In the discharge of this trust you have the assurance of my earnest co-operation.

Each duty having been ~~faith~~fully performed, the earlier we return to our homes, the heartier will be our reception by an appreciative people.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

After which,
On motion of Senator Boies,
The joint convention adjourned *sine die*.

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

DANIEL L. CROSSMAN,
*Clerk of the House of Representatives,
And Secretaries of the Joint Convention.*

The Senators having retired, the House was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called; quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the House had met the Senate in joint convention, and had listened to the message of Governor Bagley.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,
The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the following appointments:

Fireman—William D. Burnham of Ingham.

Keeper of Cloak Room—William Tomlinson of Wayne.

Messenger Boys at Large—Van W. Coryell of Ingham; Eddie Van Aken of Eaton; Fred. Litelle of Kent; Edwin C. Williams of St. Clair; George Buckland of Ingham; Thornton Mitchell of Grand Traverse.

Speaker's Messenger—Charles Wells of Lenawee.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, By the Senate (the House concurring), That the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives and the rules in joint convention of the last Legislature, be and are hereby adopted as the rules of the present Senate and House of Representatives until otherwise ordered;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,
The House concurred in the resolution.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That the State printer be instructed to forward one copy of the daily journal to each daily and weekly newspaper published in the State, to each county clerk in the State, the Judges of the Supreme Court, and to the resident clergy of Lansing.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. West,

The House concurred in the resolution.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Benjamin B. Baker of Ingham, be appointed postmaster of the Senate and House, to distribute all mail matter belonging to members of the Senate and House, at a compensation of three dollars per day;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. VanAken,

The House proceeded to the election of Speaker *pro tem.*, with the following result:

FOR ERWIN C. WATKINS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Copley,	Howard,	Preston,	Van Raalte,
Dow,	Howland,	Ranney,	Walker,
Eggleston,	Hubbard	Reed,	West,
Ferguson,	Huggett,	Remer,	A. K. Wheeler.
Garfield,	Lay,	Rich,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
E. H. Greene,	Livingstone,	Robinson,	Speaker,
I. Green,			

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FOR HENRY A. GOODYEAR.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Cole,	Keyes,	Mr. Schattler,
Bartow,	Craig,	Kilbourne,	Smith,
Benedict,	Curry,	Klein,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Daly,	Knight,	Stowe,
E. A. Brown,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hart,	Meyer,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	I. P. Wheeler,

Mr. Churchill, A. K. Clark,	Mr. Hollon, Hull,	Mr. Northrop, Ransom,	Mr. Wiley, Wood,	36
FOR CLEVELAND HUNT.				
Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Norton,		3
FOR ABRAM T. METCALF.				
Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Potter,			2
FOR JOSEPH A. HOLLON.				
Mr. Little,				1
FOR EDWIN J. HULBERT.				
Mr. F. O. Clark,				1
FOR F. O. CLARK.				
Mr. Hulbert,				1
FOR EDWARD L. BRIGGS.				
Mr. Watkins,				1
FOR WILLIAM H. P. BENJAMIN.				
Mr. Metcalf,				1
FOR CALVIN B. POTTER.				
Mr. Packard,				1

Mr. Remer offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Mr. James W. King be and he is hereby appointed to compile and publish, without delay, under the supervision of the committees on printing in the two Houses, when the same are appointed, a manual for the use of members and officers of both Houses in this and the next Legislature, and the State officers,—said manual to contain the Constitutions of the United States and of this State with all amendments thereto; the rules and joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives of this State; a diagram of the Senate Chamber and Representative Hall; names, ages, occupation, and residence of members of both Houses; a map showing the Congressional districts, the Judicial Circuits of the State, the various Senatorial and Representative districts of the State, with the population thereof; a railroad map of the State; the votes for President in 1872 and for Governor in 1874; the postoffices, newspapers, banking institutions, railroad routes, the latest statistics of the educational, charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions; the table of equalization for 1871; and such other statistical matter as is usually found in the work. The same to be printed and bound in the usual style by the State printer, and the compiler to receive for his services such sum as shall be fair and adequate; but no compensation shall be paid unless his copy shall be ready for the printer within 25 days from the passage of this resolution.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Eggleston offered the following:

Resolved, That each of the officiating clergymen and the reporters for the press, be furnished with a Manual of the Legislature for 1873.

Mr. Goodyear moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. West offered the following:

Resolved, That the message of his Excellency, Governor Bagley, be referred to a select committee of five, who shall designate and recommend a reference to the proper standing committees, of the subject matter embraced therein.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Watkins offered the following;

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be instructed to furnish one thousand copies of the Governor's message, printed in the English language, and five hundred copies each, in the German and Holland languages, for use of members of this House.

Mr. Hertzler moved to amend by adding "500 copies in the French language."

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend the amendment by making it read 300 instead of 500 in the French language;

Which was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was then adopted.

The question then recurring on the resolution as amended,

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend by making the resolution read 300 in the Holland and German languages, instead of 500.

Which was not agreed to.

The resolution as first amended was then adopted.

Mr. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That each Representative be allowed the sum of five dollars for stationery during this session, and also that the committee on supplies be and is hereby required to furnish the Speaker of the House, Clerk, Enrolling and Engrossing Clerks, and the chairmen of all committees, such stationery as shall be reasonable and necessary for their use;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from and after to-day until Monday afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 8, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Carpenter.

Roll called: quorum present.

By unanimous consent, no regular order of business was observed.

Mr. Goodyear offered the following:

Resolved, That the Board of State Auditors be requested to put additional stoves in the basement, or provide other means of warming the floor of this Hall;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to invite the resident officiating clergymen of Lansing to open the morning sessions of this House with prayer, in such order as they shall arrange among themselves;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Taylor, Garfield, and Cole.

The Speaker announced as the committee authorized by a resolution of the House, to designate and recommend a reference of the subject matter of the message of his Excellency, Governor Bagley, to the proper standing committees of the House, Messrs. West, Livingstone, Hart, Hulbert, and Norton.

Mr. Parker offered the following:

Resolved, That the chief Clerk be and he is hereby authorized to appoint an additional assistant, making, with one authorized by a former resolution, two assistants, one of whom shall be Journal Clerk, the other Corresponding Clerk of the House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Walker moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution in regard to printing the Governor's Message was passed yesterday;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the resolution,

Mr. Livingstone offered the following substitute therefor:

Resolved, That two thousand copies of the Governor's Message be printed in English, three thousand in German, five hundred in French, and five hundred in the Holland language for the use of the House.

Mr. Van Raalte moved to amend the substitute by making it fifteen hundred in the French, and fifteen hundred in the Holland language;

Which amendment was accepted by the mover.

Mr. Ferguson moved to amend the substitute by adding five hundred in the Swedish language.

Mr. I. Greene moved to amend the amendment by adding five hundred in the Polish language.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment to the amendment,

Mr. Daly demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Robinson,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Klein,	Schattler,
Billings,	I. Green,	Lee,	Smith,
E. A. Brown,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Budlong,	Hart,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Taylor,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Cole,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Craig,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walton,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Hull,	Preston,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Hunt,	Remer,	Yeckley,

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Towne,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Norton,	Walker,
Bartow,	Hale,	Parker,	Watkins,
Benedict,	Harden,	Ranney,	West,

Mr. Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Campbell, Copley,	Mr. Harris, Hewitt, Huggett, Keyes, Lay,	Mr. Reed, Rich, Robbins, Sweetland,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood, Speaker,	38
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The amendment as amended, was then agreed to.

The question being upon the adoption of the substitute to the resolution,
Pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Copley moved to refer the resolution and substitute to the committee
on printing;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Morse offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourns to-day, it be till 8 o'clock P. M. of
Monday next.

Mr. Remer moved to amend the resolution by making the time 2 o'clock
P. M.;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until next
Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Preston asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Houston, until
Wednesday noon next.

Mr. Walker asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednes-
day noon.

Mr. Towne asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Tuesday
afternoon.

Mr. Ferguson asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for one week
from to-day at noon.

Mr. Daly asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednesday
afternoon.

The Speaker announced the following appointment:

Assistant fireman—Charles Kellogg.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, January 11, 1875. }
8 o'clock P. M. }

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the
Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. May.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. C. Brown, Cole, Howard, Knight, Metcalf,
and Morse.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morse until to-
morrow afternoon.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Howard until to-morrow.

Mr. Hertzler asked and obtained leave of absence for all the absentees until to-morrow morning.

The Speaker announced the following communications:

HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing, Mich., January 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—Pursuant to a resolution of the House, I have appointed Edwin R. Ransom, of Wayne county, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.

E. M. FITCH,
Sergeant-at-Arms.

HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing January 8, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In accordance with resolution of the House authorizing me so to do, I have appointed George A. Morrison Clerk's Messenger.

DANIEL L. CROSSMAN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Potter, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution, No. 1, entitled,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. West offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule No. 41 of the House be so amended as to provide for a standing committee on State House of Correction, and also on the Liquor Traffic.

Two-thirds of the members elect not voting therefor, the same was not adopted.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Charles B. Fenton, Dr. John R. Bailey, Capt. E. C. Gaskell, and 32 other citizens of Mackinaw county, praying the Legislature to pass a joint resolution asking Congress to make an appropriation for the erection of a lighthouse on west bar of Mackinaw Island;

Referred to the committee on harbors and federal relations jointly.

By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of R. W. Baggot, L. R. Smith, James Davidson, and 62 other freeholders of Antrim county, praying the Legislature to detach a portion of Kalkaska county, and attach the same to Antrim county, so as to make Torch River the boundary line; also, a resolution from the Board of Supervisors of Antrim county endorsed on the petition, recommending the same;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Fitch R. Williams, attorney at law of the Antrim county bar, in relation to clerks and registers in chancery fees;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

By Mr. West: Petition of T. Kopelke, Christian Antes, Charles Moser,

John Schwartz, Adam Krieger, and seventeen other officers and members, praying the Legislature to change the name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, State of Michigan ;

Referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

NOTICES.

Mr. T. J. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, State of Michigan.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution asking Congress to aid the improvement of the navigation of Pine River in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan ;

Also: that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog-bells on the west bar of Mackinaw island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan ;

Also: that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach a portion of Kalkaska county and attach the same to Antrim county, so as to make Torch river the boundary line between said counties.

Mr. F. O. Clarke, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Armstrong, unanimous consent being given, offered the following :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules be instructed to report a Rule requiring all Bills, amending existing laws, so that any addition shall be printed in italics, and any omissions not exceeding two lines to be printed in brackets, if more than two lines to be noted by dotted line ;

Laid over one day under the rules.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, {
Lansing, Jan. 8, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved, By the House, (the Senate concurring), That the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives in joint convention of the last Legislature be, and they are hereby adopted as the rules of the present Senate and House until otherwise ordered.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 8, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Benjamin B. Baker of Ingham be appointed postmaster of the Senate and House, to distribute all mail matter belonging to members of the Senate and House, at a compensation of three dollars per day ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on enrollment and engrossment for enrollment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Mr. James W. King be and he is hereby appointed to compile and publish, without delay, under the supervision of the committees on printing in the two Houses, when the same are appointed, a manual for the use of members and officers of both Houses in this and the next Legislature, and the State officers,—said manual to contain the Constitutions of the United States and of this State with all amendments thereto ; the rules and joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives of this State ; a diagram of the Senate Chamber and Representative Hall ; names, ages, occupation, and residence of members of both Houses ; a map showing the Congressional districts, the Judicial Circuits of the State, the various Senatorial and Representative districts of the State, with the population thereof ; a railroad map of the State ; the votes for President in 1872 and for Governor in 1874 ; the postoffices, newspapers, banking institutions, railroad routes, the latest statistics of the educational, charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions ; the table of equalization for 1871 ; and such other statistical matter as is usually found in the work. The same to be printed and bound in the usual style by the State printer, and the compiler to receive for his services such sum as shall be fair and adequate ; but no compensation shall be paid unless his copy shall be ready for the printer within 25 days from the passage of this resolution ;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 12, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the standing committees of the House, as follows:

Ways and Means—Messrs. Howard, Livingstone, Watkins, Goodyear, and Little.

State Affairs—Messrs. Rich, Briggs, Bailey, Hollon, and Wood.

Judiciary—Messrs. Parker, Huggett, F. O. Clark, Hunt and Ransom.

Harbors—Messrs. Wilson, Lee, Howard, Churchill, and Curry.

Elections—Messrs. Hubbard, Berk, Huggett, Smith, and E. A. Brown.

Federal Relations—Messrs. Harden, Hale, Towne, Little, and Northrop.

Private Corporations—Messrs. E. H. Green, Walker, Houston, Hollon, and Kilbourne.

Municipal Corporations—Messrs. Hart, Reed, Howland, Potter, and Hertzler.

Internal Improvements—Messrs. Hale, Ludington, Garfield, Sutton, and Struble.

Public Lands—Messrs. Briggs, Billings, I. Green, Norton, and Curry.

Printing—Messrs. Towne, Berk, Taylor, Cole, and Schattler.

Agriculture—Messrs. West, Van Aken, Lay, Harris, and A. K. Clark.

Towns and Counties—Messrs. Armstrong, I. Green, Robinson, Backus, and Whitney.

Education—Messrs. Bailey, Van Raalte, West, Cole, and Hertzler.

Roads and Bridges—Messrs. Hewitt, Gerrish, Greiner, Smith, and Schattler.

Agricultural College—Messrs. Copley, Townsend, Neff, Benedict, and E. A. Brown.

Asylum for the Insane—Messrs. Van Aken, Ludington, Preston, Klein, and Bradfield.

Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind—Messrs. Walker, Robinson, A. R. Wheeler, Knight, and Norton.

Reform School—Messrs. McLachlin, Billings, Dow, Metcalf, and Northrop.

Geological Survey—Messrs. C. Brown, Yeckley, Sutton, I. P. Wheeler, and Hulbert.

Military Affairs—Messrs. Ferguson, Van Raalte, Robbins, Wiley, and I. P. Wheeler.

State Prison—Messrs. Livingstone, Eggleston, Morse, Bartow, and Keyes.

University and Normal School—Messrs. Taylor, Sweetland, Ferguson, Daly, and Ransom.

Mines and Minerals—Messrs. Hulbert, Neff, Yeckley, Wood, and Knight.

Manufactures—Messrs. Preston, Eggleston, Whitney, Walton, and Mercer.

Lumber and Salt Interests—Messrs. A. R. Wheeler, Gerrish, Walton, Churchill, and Harris.

Religious and Benevolent Societies—Messrs. Garfield, Hubbard, Townsend, A. K. Clark, and Keyes.

Insurance—Messrs. Robbins, McLachlin, Kilbourne, Benjamin, and Hull.

Local Taxation—Messrs. Lay, Hewitt, Harden, Hull, and Meyer.

Immigration—Messrs. Berk, Daly, Benedict, Budlong, and Stephens.

Fisheries—Messrs. Howland, Parker, Craig, Meyer, and Stowe.

Rules and Joint Rules—Messrs. Remer, Ranney, E. H. Green, Goodyear, and Moshier.

Engrossment and Enrollment—Messrs. Morse, Yeckley, Hart, Bartow, and Struble.

Supplies and Expenditures—Messrs. Ranney, Reed, Armstrong, Budlong, and Greiner.

State Library—Messrs. F. O. Clark, C. Brown, Craig, Mercer and Stowe.

Drainage—Messrs. Lee, Ocobock, Hunt, Moshier, and Packard.

Railroads—Messrs. Watkins, Copley, Remer, Bradfield, and Potter.

Public Health—Messrs. Sweetland, Klein, Benjamin, Metcalf, and Packard.

State Public School—Messrs. Ocobock, Rich, Wilson, Backus, and Campbell.

Horticulture—Messrs. Dow, Houston, Wiley, Campbell, and Stephens.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By E. H. Green: Petition of R. W. Coy, and 64 other freeholders of Antrim county, praying the Legislature to detach a portion of Kalkaska county and attach the same to Antrim county, so as to make Torch river the boundary line.

Referred to committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Wood: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of the county of Jackson, asking the Legislature to amend the law in reference to the taxation of personal property, and to change the manner of taxing mortgages.

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. Wood: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Jackson county in favor of repealing the law authorizing the election of superintendents of schools.

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Sutton: Petition of Thomas J. Haskins and 159 others, praying the Legislature to strike out section 47 of Article IV. in regard to license.

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Ranney: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Hillsdale county, asking a modification of the law in relation to the return and drawing of jurors, and for the payment of jurors' fees in civil suits in the circuit courts.

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of William Woods, C. M. C. Ross, Walter A. Burnham, and 42 others, asking to have a State road laid out in Lake and Newaygo counties, and appropriate the non-resident taxes thereon.

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of John J. Robertson, Nelson H. McKee, and 14 others, citizens of Lake county, asking to have the name of the town of Killbruck changed to Norwood.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of Charlie Gay, J. T. Escot, and 10 others, asking the Legislature to establish uniform fees in the circuit courts.

Referred to committee on judiciary.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

Your special committee, to whom was assigned the duty of extending an invitation to the resident officiating clergymen of Lansing to open the morn-

ing sessions of the House with prayer, would respectfully report that they have performed the duty assigned them, and ask to be discharged.

I. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, }
OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, }
Lansing, January 12, 1875. }

HON. JOHN P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR,—I transmit herewith copies of the Annual Report of this Department for 1873, with the request that the same be placed on the tables of members of the House.

I have the honor to be respectfully yours,

DANIEL B. BRIGGS,
Superintendent of Public Instruction.

HALL OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing, January 12, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives :*

SIR,—Under the resolution of the House authorizing me so to do, I have appointed Lewis M. Miller Journal Clerk, and Eugene B. Wood Corresponding Clerk.

Respectfully,

D. L. CROSSMAN,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the House concurring), That the State printer be instructed to transmit to each Circuit Judge in the State, one copy each of the journal of the Senate and House during the present session.

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The House concurred in the passage of the resolution.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill fixing the time of the election of the Recorder of the city of Detroit.

Also,

A bill to change the name of the Society Lafayette.

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this State.

Mr. Potter gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7th, 1834, and the acts amendatory thereto.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on federal relations and harbors jointly.

Also House joint resolution No. 4, entitled,

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid the improvement of the navigation of Pine river, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Also, House bill No. 1, entitled,

A bill to detach certain territory from Kalkaska county and attach the same to Antrim county, thereby making Torch river the boundary line between said counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Remer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled,

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 47 of Article IV. of the constitution, relative to license.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and

Pending the reference,

Mr. Remer moved that the joint resolution be referred to a special committee of seven, to be appointed by the Speaker, to which all matters of a like nature be referred.

Mr. Hertzler moved to amend by making such committee a standing committee of the House;

Which was not agreed to.

The motion for the special committee then prevailed.

The joint resolution was so referred.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the committee on rules and joint rules be instructed to report a rule requiring all bills, amending existing laws, so that any addition shall be printed in italics, and any omissions not exceeding two lines to be printed in brackets, if more than two lines to be noted by dotted lines;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Copley moved that the House do now adjourn ;
Which motion did not prevail.
On motion of Mr. West,
The House took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called : quorum present.
The House took up the regular order of business.
Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. A. Brown for the day, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By E. H. Green : Petition of Charles T. Davis and 23 others, asking to have a new township organized in Otsego county, to be known as Elk township ;
Referred to committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Robbins : Petition of E. P. Ellis and 27 others, in relation to the danger of fires from hunters ;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Preston : Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Calhoun county, praying the Legislature to repeal the dog law, or so amend the same as to secure the object sought ; also, to so amend the law relating to the assessment of part-paid swamp lands, that the taxes levied thereon may be more readily collected ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. Hubbard : Petition of J. B. Welch, E. G. Sheldon and 50 others praying for the better protection of wild turkeys, ruffed grouse, and wild pigeons ;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Goodyear : Petition of George C. Nichols and others to organize certain school districts in Barry County ;

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Lee : Petition of A. John, S. Steel, George A. Cutler, and 41 other residents of Leelanaw county, in relation to county clerks and registers in chancery fees ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The select committee to whom was referred the message of His Excellency Governor Bagley, to designate a proper reference to the standing committees of the subject matter therein contained, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report recommending the following references, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject :

So much thereof as relates to finance, be referred to the committee on ways and means ;

So much thereof as relates to State lands, to the committee on public lands ;

So much as relates to education, to the committee on education ;

So much as relates to the University and State Normal School, to the committee on University and State Normal School ;

So much as relates to the Agricultural College, to the committee on Agricultural College;

So much as relates to the education of the deaf, dumb, and blind, to the committee on the Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind;

So much as relates to the Asylum for the Insane, to the committee on Insane Asylum;

So much as relates to the State Public School, to the committee on State Public School;

So much as relates to the Reform School, to the committee on Reform School;

So much as relates to the State Prison, to the committee on State Prison;

So much as relates to the new Capitol, to the committee on State affairs;

So much as relates to railroads, to the committee on railroads;

So much as relates to the Marquette and Mackinac Railroad, to the committee on railroads and public lands jointly;

So much as relates to the St. Mary's ship canal, to the committee on internal improvements;

So much as relates to the Portage Lake and Lake Superior ship canal, to the committee on internal improvements and State affairs jointly;

So much as relates to the taxation of railroad lands, to the committee on railroads and ways and means jointly;

So much as relates to the Attorney General's department, to the committee on the judiciary;

So much as relates to fish culture, to the committee on fisheries;

So much as relates to the military department, to the committee on military affairs;

So much as relates to banks, to the committee on private corporations;

So much as relates to State Library, to the committee on State Library;

So much as relates to the State Board of Health, to the committee on public health;

So much as relates to State printing, to the committee on printing;

So much as relates to immigration, to the committee on immigration;

So much as relates to insurance on State property, to the committee on State affairs;

So much as relates to notaries public, to the committee on judiciary;

So much as relates to the relief fund, to the committee on religious and benevolent societies;

So much as relates to the Centennial, to the committee on State affairs;

So much as relates to the incorporation of cities and villages, to the committee on municipalities;

So much as relates to lumber and salt, to the committee on lumber and salt interests;

So much as relates to the geological survey, to the committee on geological survey;

So much as relates to the liquor traffic, to the select committee on liquor traffic.

So much as relates to State House of Correction, to the committee on State prison.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. J. WEST, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the report of the committee,
The same was adopted.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hubbard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for a better enforcement of act No. 195 of the Session Laws of 1873, and known as the dog law.

Mr. Preston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation.

Mr. Backus gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Greenville.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Elk, to consist of town 31 north, range 4 west, in Otsego county.

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit any medical institution (including the University) in this State receiving dead human bodies into their possession for dissection or other uses, without a certificate accompanying the same, signed by proper authorities, giving them legal right to receive them.

Mr. Hull gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking for the repeal of act No. 195 of the session of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs."

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to liens, and to the record and notice thereof.

Mr. Packard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal an act, chap. 139 of the Compiled Laws, entitled "An act to provide for County Superintendents of Schools."

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Hastings.

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 240, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to payment of witnesses in criminal cases.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 23 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the spearing of fish in some of the inland lakes of Michigan in certain seasons of the year.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 2, entitled,

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, and State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hunt offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule 41 of the House be so amended as to provide for a standing committee on State House of Correction.

Two-thirds of the members elect not voting therefor, the same was not adopted.

Mr. Hertzler offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be and they are hereby directed to ascertain and report to the Clerk of this House, the number of miles of travel for which each member will be entitled to draw mileage.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Briggs offered the following:

Resolved, That there be a select committee, to be appointed by the Speaker, to consist of two members from each Congressional district, and one from the State at large; to whom shall be referred all matters pertaining to the apportionment of Representatives among the different counties and districts of the State.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Billings offered the following:

Resolved, That the judiciary committee be and is hereby authorized to appoint a clerk for said committee;

Which was adopted.

Mr. West offered the following:

Resolved, That committees to whom any bill or joint resolution is referred, or who may report or bring in any such bill or joint resolution, be especially instructed to see that the title thereof is worded in accordance with the requirements of the constitution and the rules of the House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Goodyear moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution authorizing the committee on the judiciary to appoint a clerk was passed;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 13, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Prudens.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Kilbourne and Norton.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Kilbourne, until to-morrow noon.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Norton, until Monday noon, on account of sickness.

Messrs. Lewis M. Miller, Eugene B. Wood, and Edwin R. Ransom, heretofore appointed respectively Journal Clerk, Corresponding Clerk, and Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, came forward, took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, and entered upon the discharge of their duties.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 19. By Mr. Watkins: Petition of W. T. Powers, A. Milmine, and 75 others, citizens of Kent county, asking for a modification of the laws for the protection of fish.

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 20. By Mr. Stow: Petition of the Board of Supervisors of Livingston county, praying for the repeal of Act No. 55 of the Session Laws of 1867, entitled an "Act to provide for County Superintendents of Schools, and to amend section 91 and repeal sections 74, 85, 87, 88, 89 and 90, of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws of 1857."

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 21. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Thos. H. Bottomley, Wm. F. Parker, Richard Shut, and 100 others, residents of St. Clair county, asking that the west half of sections 18 and 19 in the township of Emmet be detached from said town and attach the same to the township of Mussey.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 22. By Mr. Brown: Petition of Isaiah Rhoades, Samuel Bender, Charles F. Huffman, and 595 others, asking that the act entitled "An act to amend section 2087 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section one of an act entitled an act to prevent fishing with seines and pound or trap nets in the small inland lakes and streams in the State of Michigan, approved March 11, 1865," approved March 27, 1873, be so amended as to exempt from the operation of said act so much of the St. Joseph river as is below the dam across the same at Niles.

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 23. By Mr. Smith: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Jackson county, asking the Legislature to amend the law in reference to the taxation of "Part-paid Swamp Lands."

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred

The resolution and substitute in regard to printing the Governor's Message, Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. C. TOWNE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The following is the substitute:

Resolved, That one thousand copies of the Governor's Message be printed in the English language, five thousand in the German, one thousand in the Holland, two thousand in French, five hundred in Swedish, and five hundred in Polish, for the use of the House.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution reported by the committee,

The same was adopted.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution number one (1) asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred joint resolution number two (2) asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred joint resolution number four (4) asking the Congress of the United States to aid the improvement of the navigation of Pine river, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies :

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred House Bill No. 2 entitled,

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, and State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. M. GARFIELD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

NOTICES.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws, relating to the formation of co-operative associations, by mechanics, laboring men, and others.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of Eagle Harbor, Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the taxation of the traffic in spirituous and intoxicating liquors.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the collection of damages sustained by defective bridges on the public highways," and being section 1323, chapter 29, of the Compiled Laws.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for an act to punish persons for setting guns in the woods.

Mr. Hertzler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 239, being section 7442 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of witnesses in civil cases in courts of record.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Midland City.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9 of Act No. 185 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act establishing a lien for labor and service upon logs and timber."

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish "artillery" at every county-seat, so as to produce rain in dry times, in accordance with the principles of Prof. Powers.

Mr. Wood gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3410 and 3414 of compiled laws, in reference to rural cemeteries.

Also,

A bill to mend the charter of the city of Jackson.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Bay City.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act to cede jurisdiction to the United States on certain lands, and for the purchase and condemnation thereof," approved March 24th, 1874.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Paw Paw in Van Buren county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgments that have been or may be hereafter rendered against said township, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same.

Mr. Preston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Battle Creek.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Potter, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 3, entitled:

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, 1834, and the acts amendatory thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill relative to liens and to the record and notice thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill fixing the time of the election of the Recorder of the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Also: House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit" to "Société de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 23 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Remer offered the following:

WHEREAS, The death of Capt. E. B. Ward is an event of recent occurrence; therefore,

Resolved, That this House desires to put on record a memorial tribute to his worth. Not that we would change the *fat* that called him from hence if we could, nor yet that our expression can avail ought to him. It is not ours to chide the universal law which commands dust to dust, and whether or not as the Grecian philosopher has said, "to die is gain," any expression of regret, or of mourning on our part could in any way affect the person who has passed away.

To the immediate friends of the deceased, his loss is a cause for heart-felt grief and mourning, while by the industrial and commercial interests of the State and country it will be most severely felt. But the memory of a good man is of value to those who survive and come after him, through his example—the honor which is paid to the Heroes and Princes of the earth would be but poorly bestowed, if it had for its object only the fulsome adulation of the persons themselves.

We honor the memory of the great men and women of historic fame, that we may hold their characters up as worthy of imitation. Greatness consists not alone in winning battles or in guiding States, but in the career of Capt. Ward we have an example of greatness in developing the industrial and material interests of his State and country. He developed for himself a kingdom at the head of which he stood without a peer. The more honor that he chose this field for the exercise of his genius and energy, since the average ambition of the land looks to the forum as the touchstone to greatness and renown. Capt. Ward was essentially the King of the Commons, for the reason that his power of concentration and execution, manifested through his various enterprises, went directly to the sustenance, comfort, and general good of the masses. A man's private virtues are his own, his public life belongs to the race.

While Capt. Ward was not a holder of political offices, he was nevertheless a public man in the broadest sense, and while it is the province of biography and of cotemporary history to deal with the details of his career, this House takes pleasure in placing on record this brief tribute to the memory of one who was great and good, through his great usefulness, his kindness, his charity, and his public beneficence.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution,

Pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Remer moved that the resolution be adopted by a rising vote.

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution was then adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Remer moved that the resolution be spread at large upon the journal, and that copies be sent to the family of the deceased and to the common council of the city of Detroit.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Livingstone offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be and is hereby authorized to contract with competent parties to translate and print the Governor's message, as follows: One thousand copies in English, five thousand copies in German, two thousand copies in French, one thousand copies in Holland, five hundred copies in Swedish, and five hundred copies in Polish, for the use of the House.

Mr. Bartow moved to refer the resolution to the committee on ways and means, with instructions to ascertain the cost of translating the message in the several languages.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Northrop offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to procure and place a township map of this State in each of the several committee rooms of this House.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Watkins offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means and the railroad committee be and they are hereby authorized to employ a clerk for their joint committees, at a compensation to be hereafter fixed by the House.

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. West,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Briggs in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors of St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien, and State of Michigan;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

EDWARD L. BRIGGS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 24. By Mr. Rich: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Lapeer

county for the repeal of the law creating County Superintendents of common schools;

Referred to committee on education.

No. 25. By Mr. Howard: Petition of E. W. Harris, Circuit Judge, V. A. Saph, H. P. Wands, and 20 others, residents of St. Clair county, asking the passage of an act to regulate the fees of county clerks; also, petition from residents of Berrien, Genesee, Keweenaw and Muskegon counties on the same subject;

Referred to committee on judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on federal relations and harbors, jointly:

The committee on federal relations and harbors jointly, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. three (3) asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a light-house and fog bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw, and State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN,

Chairman of the above named Committees.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 12th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That Mr. James W. King be and he is hereby appointed to compile and publish, without delay, under the supervision of the committees on printing in the two Houses, when the same are appointed, a manual for the use of members and officers of both Houses in this and the next Legislature, and the State officers,—said manual to contain the Constitutions of the United States and of this State with all amendments thereto; the rules and joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives of this State; a diagram of the Senate Chamber and Representative Hall; names, ages, occupation, and residence of members of both Houses; a map showing the Congressional districts, the Judicial Circuits of the State, the various Senatorial and Representative districts of the State, with the population thereof; a railroad map of the State; the votes for President in 1872 and for Governor in 1874; the postoffices, newspapers, banking institutions, railroad routes, the latest statistics of the educational, charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions; the table of equalization for 1871; and such other statistical matter as is usually found in the work. The same to be printed and bound in the usual

style by the State printer, and the compiler to receive for his services such sum as shall be fair and adequate; but no compensation shall be paid unless his copy shall be ready for the printer within 25 days from the passage of this resolution,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same, by inserting after the word "members," in line 9, the words "and officers;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the resolution by the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House concurred therein.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 13, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled,

A bill to amend section 12 of an act entitled "An act to provide for determining and regulating the tolls, and for the care, charge, and operating of the Portage Lake & Lake Superior Ship Canal," approved April 25, 1873,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

NOTICES.

Mr. Churchill gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, in the county of Alpena, State of Michigan.

Mr. Wiley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Saugatuck, in the county of Allegan, and State of Michigan.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the laying out and construction of a State road in the county of Marquette, to be known as the Greenwood State Road.

Mr. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act in relation to the powers and duties of Superintendents of the Poor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hull, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 8, entitled:

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House joint resolution No. 1, entitled,

A resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walker,
Badlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Colé,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Halbert,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hull,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Keyes,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker, 93
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robinson,	

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Title and preamble agreed to.

Mr. F. O. Clark, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The joint resolution was then placed on the order of third reading.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Robinson,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Berk,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Meyer,	Towne,
O. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walker,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Lay,		

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Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Whitney,
Benedict,	Ransom,	Stowe,	Wilson,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Parker moved to reconsider the vote by which the House yesterday refused to pass the resolution to amend House rule 41, so as to provide for a standing committee of the House on the State House of Correction;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Two-thirds of the members elect not voting therefor,

The same was not adopted.

Mr. F. O. Clark offered the following:

Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of "Joint Resolution No. (2), recommending the passage of a bill in Congress establishing a U. S. Circuit Court in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan," to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent, the committee on internal improvements made the following report:

The committee on internal improvement, to whom was referred Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend section twelve of an act entitled "An act to provide for determining and regulating the tolls, and for the care, charge, and operating of Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal," approved April 25, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

DAVID B. HALE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howard,	Packard,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hull,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Keyes,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Knight,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 14, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Fassett.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Billings, Briggs, and Taylor.

Mr. Rich asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Billings until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Mercer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Bailey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Taylor for one hour; also for himself until Monday morning.

Mr. Goodyear asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Briggs for to-day.

Mr. Hertzler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Schattler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Greiner asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from Saturday until Tuesday morning.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 26. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Richard Houghton and 15 others, for the organization of the township of Charlton, in the unorganized county of Otsego.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 27. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Richard Houghton and 39 others, for the organization of the county of Otsego.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be and is hereby authorized to contract with competent parties to translate and print the Governor's message, as follows: One thousand copies in English, five thousand copies in German, two thousand copies in French, one thousand copies in Holland, five hundred copies in Swedish, and five hundred copies in Polish, for the use of the House.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House that the probable cost of translating the message into German, French, Holland, Swedish, and Polish languages will be about \$250, or \$50 for each language; and that we estimate the cost of printing, exclusive of translating, as follows:

1,000 Messages in English.....	\$108 00
5,000 " " German.....	425 00
1,000 " " Holland.....	175 00
2,000 " " French.....	240 00
500 " " Swedish.....	150 00
500 " " Polish.....	150 00
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We recommend, therefore, that the Clerk of the House be instructed to contract for the translation and printing of the number of messages named above, in the German, French, Holland, Swedish, and Polish languages, at a cost not exceeding the estimate submitted herewith by the committee; and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 165, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies of executions on real estate.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to defective highways and bridges.

Mr. E. A. Brown gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 2087, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 1 of an act entitled 'An act to prevent fishing with seines and pound or trap nets in the small inland lakes and streams in the State of Michigan, approved March 11, 1865,' approved March 27, 1873," so as to exempt from the operations of said act so much of the St. Joseph river as is below the dam across the same at Niles.

Mr. Hewitt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections two and eight, of chapter thirty-seven, of the revised statutes of 1846, being general sections 1802 and 1808 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 relating to the support of poor persons by their relatives.

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the sale of medicine and poisons.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that he will at some future day ask leave to introduce

A bill for the incorporation of the village of "Red Jacket," in the township of Calumet, Houghton county,

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 107, chapter 136, being section 3667, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the assessment of taxes for school purposes.

Mr. Bailey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers

having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 5 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1891, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Charlton, in the unorganized county of Otsego ;

Also,

A bill to organize the county of Otsego.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act to amend section 102 of chapter 188 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled, of evidence ;

Also,

A bill for an act to amend section 18 of chapter 201 of Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled, of attachments.

Mr. Daly gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit, authorizing the city to purchase or erect gas works and manufacture and furnish gas to consumers.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize certain school districts in Barry county.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent any member of any future Legislature of monopolizing the

whole of the morning hour with amendments to the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Morse gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3628, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to powers of school district boards.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elk.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill relating to the formation of co-operative associations by mechanics, laboring men, and others.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Hubbard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of Act No. 195, Session Laws of 1873, for the better enforcement of the law relating to the licensing of dogs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 6, entitled:

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of Eagle Harbor, Upper Peninsula of Michigan. •

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 7489, of chapter 240, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the payment of witnesses in criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Little in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog-bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan;

Also, House joint resolution No. 4, entitled,

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid the improvement of the navigation of Pine river, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan;

Also the following bill:

House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, and State of Michigan.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

CHARLES D. LITTLE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolutions and the bill were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from and after to-day until Tuesday.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 28. By Mr. Robinson: Memorial from the Board of Supervisors of the county of Branch asking their Senators and Representatives to use all proper means to secure the repeal of the two-mill tax;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 29. By Mr. Churchill: Petition of James I. Brown, Geo. W. Bell, and others, relative to the fees of clerks and registers in chancery;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 30. By Mr. Goodyear: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Barry county, asking the reduction of representation of the city of Hastings on said Board;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 31. By Mr. Remer: Petition of Hon. James Moore, Jr., Chaplain of the

"Third House," which, on demand of Mr. Remer, was read at length and entered at large upon the Journal:

Lansing, January 12, 1876.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

Your petitioner humbly sheweth to your honorable body, which is as follows, on behalf and for the good of the State volunteered out of his own will and pleasure on certain State roads called Port Sanilac and Tuscola State roads and have procured something near thirteen sections of State swamp lands to assist in the completion of said roads, I would say to your honorable body it has cost me of my own money two hundred dollars and one hundred and thirty days time. I have tended the Board of Control five times, went to Detroit to Governor Baldwin once and this is the fourth session. I live something like one hundred and fifty miles in Sanilac county distance to travel each way. I appeal to your honorable body for my expense and time and trouble believe you will award me accordingly as merit never ought to go unrewarded.

I remain yours truly

JAMES MOORE, Jr.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The petition was referred to the committee on "eternal" improvements.

No. 32. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of E. L. Clark, George S. Gifford, and 72 others, citizens of Lenawee county, in relation to the liquor traffic.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

The Speaker announced the following communication:

NATIONAL BOARD OF TRADE, }
Chicago, Jan. 13, 1876. }

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Lansing, Mich.:

DEAR SIR—I am instructed by vote of the National Board of Trade at its last annual meeting to enclose to you the within three memorials, and to ask that you will do that body the favor to cause their proper presentation to the honorable body over which you preside, and to have them referred to appropriate committees for their consideration.

In the hope that the matters suggested and petitioned for may commend themselves to the attention, and secure favorable action from the Legislature of the State of Michigan,

I have the honor to be very respectfully your obedient servant,

CHAS. RANDOLPH, *Secretary.*

The following are the memorials:

No. 33. The Memorial of the National Board of Trade to the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan respectfully sheweth:

Whereas, The mercantile interests of this country are greatly embarrassed in dealing with parties doing business under a firm name, in ascertaining who are personally interested, and responsible for the obligations incurred by firms, and inasmuch as past experience, in many instances, has developed the fact that firms have in reality been composed of entirely different persons from those to whom credit was supposed to have been extended; therefore,

The National Board of Trade respectfully petition your honorable bodies for the enactment of a law providing that all persons doing or carrying on any business under a firm name, within the limits of the State of Michigan, shall be required to register with the county clerk, or other designated officer, within

the County wherein such firm has its principal place of business, the name of such firm, together with that of each individual member thereof, or interested therein, and that suitable penalties be prescribed to insure the observance of such requirement.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

By order and on behalf of the National Board of Trade.

CHARLES RANDOLPH,

of Chicago, *Secretary*.

Chicago, Ills., January, 1875.

Referred to committee on judiciary.

FREDRICK FRALEY,

of Philadelphia, *President*.

No. 34. The Memorial of the National Board of Trade to the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, respectfully sheweth :

That the magnitude of the business of transportation by railway, especially of the products of the earth, renders the revision of the modes by which it has hitherto, in large measure, been conducted, of the greatest importance, alike to the producer and consumer. And while not assuming to suggest all the reforms that may be desirable of achievement, and recognizing the fact that the same remedies are not in all cases applicable in the several States, the National Board of Trade respectfully represents that, after a full discussion, the following views have met the approval of this body, composed of representatives from the leading commercial organizations of the United States, and believing they are of general application, beg leave to present them for the consideration of your Honorable Bodies:

First. That while railway companies, like other corporations, are properly under the control of, and should be held responsible to, the power that gave them existence, and may properly be held in check in any attempts at the exercise of unjust or arbitrary powers, nevertheless, experience has shown that it is inexpedient to seek by legislative enactment to establish fixed rates for transportation.

Second. That the practice by many railway companies of delegating to special freight lines the conduct of a large portion of their business, frequently leads to great abuses, and results in an unnatural and unnecessary addition to the cost of transportation; hence, all railway companies should be required either to assume the direct and entire control and responsibility of the whole business of their lines, or open it to the competition of all freight lines that may seek to undertake it.

Third. That railway companies engaged in the business of transporting grain in bulk, should in all cases be held responsible for the delivery of the same quantity of grain they receive. And while it is believed the common law governing all carriers would, if appealed to, enforce this principle, it is proper and desirable that the several State Legislatures should enact laws compelling its observance, and that such laws should, by simple, easy, and inexpensive proceedings, enable any individual aggrieved to secure a prompt and efficient remedy in case of their violation.

Respectfully submitted, by order and on behalf of the National Board of Trade.

CHARLES RANDOLPH,

of Chicago, *Secretary*.

Chicago, Ills., January, 1875.

Referred to the committee on railroads.

FREDERICK FRALEY.

of Philadelphia, *President*.

No. 35. The Memorial of the National Board of Trade to the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, respectfully represents :

That after discussion by representatives from the different sections of the United States, the National Board of Trade respectfully recommends and petitions the Legislatures of the several States, that each enact a law, if none already exist among its statutes, providing that five or more persons associated for the prosecution of any lawful business, may, by subscribing to certain specified articles of association, and complying with all the requirements of law, form themselves into an incorporated company, with or without limited liability, as may be expressed in the articles of association. And that such publicity be provided for, as shall enable all who trade, or do business with such corporations as adopt the limited liability, to know that no liability exists, beyond that of the joint capital which has been subscribed for and paid in.

Respectfully submitted on behalf and by vote of the National Board of Trade to the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan.

CHARLES RANDOLPH,
of Chicago, *Secretary*.

FREDERICK FRALEY,
of Philadelphia, *President*.

Chicago, Ills., January, 1875.

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following petition :

No. 36. Petition of Isaiah J. Spencer, James W. Proper, Benjamin Disbrow, and sixteen others, praying for the organization of a court of appeals from township boards in matters relating to the organization of school districts.

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the petition of John J. Robertson, Nelson H. McKee, and fourteen others, citizens of Lake county, asking to have the name of the township of Killbuck changed to Norwood,

Report in answer to the prayer of the petitioners the accompanying bill, to stand as

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of township of "Killbuck," in the county of Lake, to "Norwood ;"

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors :

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. 6, asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment,

and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. WILSON, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. 7, asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of Eagle Harbor, Upper Peninsula of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. WILSON, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit" to "Société de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

URIEL TOWNSEND, Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies to whom was referred House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 23 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, recommending that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. KEYES, Acting Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

NOTICES.

Mr. Towne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution, instructing our Senators in Congress to use all honorable

means to prevent the ratification of the reciprocity treaty now pending in the U. S. Senate between the United States and the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 46 of the session laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the protection of game and for the better protection of elk, deer, birds, and wild fowl.

Mr. Wood gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the Improved Order of Red Men.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven, on Lake Michigan.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relative to the support and maintenance of poor persons," approved April 5, 1869, being chapter 50, Compiled Laws of 1871, changing the number of the present section 55, of said act, being compiler's section 1870, to 57, and by inserting two new sections in said act, to stand as sections 55 and 56;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. E. A. Brown, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 2087 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 1 of an act entitled 'An act to prevent fishing with seines and pound or trap nets in the small inland lakes and streams in the State of Michigan,' approved March 11, 1865," approved March 27, 1873;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Packard, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 16, entitled,

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for County Superintendents of Schools."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 17, entitled,

A bill to amend Secs. 3410 and 3414 of chapter 129 Compiled Laws of 1871 entitled "An act to authorize and encourage the formation of corporations to establish rural cemeteries and provide for the care and maintenance thereof," approved February 19, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Wiley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the navigation of the Harbor at Saugatuck, in Allegan county, on Lake Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Paw Paw, in Van Buren county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against said township, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog-bells on the west bar of Mackinaw island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan ;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stephens,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hull,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker,

NAYS.

Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid the improvement of the navigation of Pine River in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harris,	Meyer,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Neff,	Walker,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker, 92

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 2, entitled,

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county, and State of Michigan ;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Berk,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Walker,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland.	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Klein.	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Knight,	Robinson,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. West,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hollon presented the following memorial and resolutions and asked that they be spread at length upon the journal :

No. 37. Memorial to the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned were appointed a special committee at a meeting of the "Lumbermen's Association of the Saginaw Valley," held at the Lumber Exchange in East Saginaw, on Saturday, Dec. 14th, 1874, to ask your honorable bodies to enter a protest, in the name of the people of this State, against the ratification of the proposed Treaty of Reciprocity with Canada.

Without stopping at this time to go into tedious details as to the disastrous effects of reciprocity, which have been laid before Congress in the pamphlet of our memorial committee, we can truly assert that the lumber and salt interest of this State would be ruined, and the production practically stopped by the adoption of this treaty, thereby destroying the immense investments, the market for produce and labor now depending upon these industries. The effect upon the mining, manufacturing and farming interests of Michigan would, in our opinion, be equally injurious. Believing, therefore, that the approval of the pending Reciprocity Treaty will be harmful to all the industrial interests of Michigan, that it is not asked for, but rather opposed by the vast majority of the people, and that the expression of this view of the people through the Legislature will strengthen the hands and zeal of our Members of Congress in opposing it, we respectfully ask the adoption of the following resolution by the Legislature, at an early day of the session. And your memorialists will ever pray, etc.

JOHN G. OWEN,
EZRA RUST,
W. R. BURT,
A. MILLER,
T. CRANAGE, JR.,
Committee.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS relating to Reciprocity with the Dominion of Canada.

Resolved (the Senate concurring), by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That the ratification of the proposed Treaty of

Reciprocity with Canada will be a certain and grievous injury to the people and business of this State; that it is not demanded by any class of our citizens or by any necessity of the State or the General Government, nor any claim of international sympathy or duty; that it will interfere with the revenues of the country, and by favoritism and discrimination towards a foreign people, deprive the General Government of a large revenue now collected from imports, and result in adding an equal sum to our already high domestic taxation; that the Government owes its first duty and protection to our own citizens, to foster their industries and encourage the development of home manufactures and markets.

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to use all honorable means to defeat the ratification of said Treaty.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit a copy of these resolutions to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Klein offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to the State Pioneer Society on the evening of the 3d of February next;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 15, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Carpenter.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Craig, Greiner, Hale, Rich, and Townsend.

Mr. Daley asked and obtained leave of absence for Messrs. Craig and Greiner until Monday afternoon.

Mr. Yeckley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Huggett asked and obtained leave of absence for Messrs. Rich, Hale, and Townsend until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Ranney asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 38. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of W. S. Gunn and others, relative to the liquor traffic.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 39. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of William Haukel and others, relative to the liquor traffic.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 40. By Mr. Cole: Petition of Isaac Gibson, Samuel D. Haight, Shubal F. White and 11 others, relative to the fees of clerks and registers in chancery.

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 41. By Mr. Hunt: Petition of Wm. L. Richards and 17 others, to detach township 25 north, range 1 west, and ranges 2, 3 and 4, from the county of Crawford and State of Michigan, and attach the same to Roscommon county.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 42. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Petition of Robert J. Griffin, W. K. Lacey, M. M. Gragg, James Anderson, E. I. Browne and 129 others, relative to the boundary of the city of Niles, Berrien county.

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 43. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Protest and resolution of the common council of Niles, Mich., adopted January 11, 1875, relative to boundaries.

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 44. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Remonstrance of David Bacon, S. D. Bacon, Edward Brown, B. Mack, John W. Hart and 122 others, citizens of Niles, against any change in the boundaries of said city of Niles.

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 45. By Mr. Kilbourne: Resolutions of the Board of Supervisors of Ingham county asking a change in the law providing for county superintendents of schools.

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means and railroads jointly:

The committee on ways and means and railroads jointly, respectfully report. they have employed C. R. Stickney as clerk of the two committees.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 14, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Whereas, The amount paid to the officers and employés of the Senate and House of Representatives is fixed by law; and

Whereas, It has been customary for several of the past sessions to allow extra compensation to certain officers, by each House separately; and

Whereas, The practice leads to the payment of different sums to the corresponding officers and employés of the two Houses, producing jealousies and dissatisfaction; and

Whereas, These several amounts are usually voted during the hurry and confusion of the closing hours of the session; therefore,

Resolved, By the Senate (the House concurring), that a committee of three on the part of the Senate, to act with a like committee on the part of the

House, be appointed, with instructions to report to what officers or employes of either House, if any, additional compensation should be allowed, and the amount thereof, for extra services rendered by such officers or employes ;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House concurred in the passage of the resolution.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 31 of chapter 158 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the limitation of time for paying the debts and legacies of deceased persons ;

Also,

A bill to organize the township of North Brighton, in the present unorganized county of Crawford, and attach the same to the county of Roscommon ;

Also,

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon, and attach thereto the unorganized county of Crawford ;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 4626 and 4627 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to mortgaging, or otherwise pledging estates by executors, administrators, and guardians ;

Also,

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers.

Mr. Little gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 50 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support and maintenance of poor persons.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 13 of chapter 244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in reference to the punishment of persons who attempt to murder by poisoning, drowning, or strangling.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 8, 16, 40, of chapter 163 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for the payment of debts by executors, administrators, and guardians.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in the county of Marquette.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 194, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to provisions concerning actions and proceedings in certain cases, by adding one new section thereto, relative to the transfer of actions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 165, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies of executions on real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill relative to defective highways and bridges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hewitt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 8 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes of 1846, being general sections 1802 and 1808 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support of poor persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven, on Lake Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Towne, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Armstrong in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, Michigan.

2. House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of Eagle Harbor, Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

3. House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit" to "Société de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit,"

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

4. House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 23 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations,

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

SULLIVAN ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolutions and the first named bill were placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on granting leave to sit again,

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

Leave was so granted.

Mr. Hollon, by unanimous consent, moved that the concurrent resolution, on the order of unfinished business, relative to the Reciprocity Treaty with the Dominion of Canada, be referred to the committee on federal relations;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Potter,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Hollon asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from and after to-day until Monday evening.

The Speaker announced the following special committees, heretofore authorized by vote of the House:

Committee on the Liquor Traffic—Messrs. Remer, Hollon, E. H. Green, Churchill, West, Knight, and Livingstone.

Committee on Apportionment—Messrs. Briggs, Neff, Hunt, Robbins, Hertzler, Van Aken, Goodyear, Copley, Packard, Van Raalte, Whitney, Bailey, Campbell, Ludington, Schattler, Morse, Walton, Ferguson, and Hulbert.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 46. By Mr. Armstrong: Memorial of George Seeton, James Barton, Sanford Brown, and 20 others, supervisors and county officers of Newaygo county, asking the Legislature to establish uniform fees in the circuit courts;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 47. By Mr. Howard: Petition of John S. Kimball and 20 others, residents of St. Clair county, praying for the repeal of an act to enable the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road Company to charge and receive additional tolls, approved April 2, 1869;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 48. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Horace Beard and 17 others, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 49. By Mr. Howard: Petition of John Beard and 33 others, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 50. By Mr. Backus: Resolutions of the board of supervisors of Montcalm county asking for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill relating to the formation of co-operative associations by mechanics, laboring men, and others, being a bill to amend Sec. 6, of chapter 90, of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, for the reason that the bill proposes to remove the joint liability of directors and stockholders for debts for labor performed for said corporations; and adds the following clause to said section: "And no greater sum shall be collected from any stockholder on any execution for a debt of the corporation than the amount unpaid on stock held by such stockholder."

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on federal relations :

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution number eight (8), asking Congress of the United States to aid the improvement of the navigation of the harbor at Saugatuck, in Allegan county, on Lake Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Jan. 14, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Committee on Rules and Joint Rules be instructed to report a rule requiring all bills, amending existing laws, so that any addition shall be printed in italics, and any omissions not exceeding two lines to be printed in brackets, if more than two lines to be noted by dotted lines ;

In the passage of which the Senate has non-concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The resolution was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 15, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved, By the Senate (the House concurring), that the Governor be and he is hereby authorized to appoint one messenger boy for his office.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. A. R. Wheeler,

The House concurred in the passage of the resolution.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 7, 13, 15, and 23 of chapter 164 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands of minors and other persons under guardianship, and investing the proceeds for their use.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the establishment of an office of Commissioner of Mines and Quarries for the State of Michigan, and for the appointment of a Commissioner to fill the same.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Berk,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Neff,	Walker,
Churchill,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	Whitney,
Curry,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Speaker, 80

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of Eagle Harbor, Upper Peninsula of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict.	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hart,	Meyer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Whitney,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,		

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NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit" to "Société de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit."

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Walker,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Preston,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wood,

Mr. Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,	Mr. Speaker,	81
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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Briggs offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby requested, if practicable, to furnish the House with a statement showing the population of each of the counties, townships, and cities of the State, as appears by the census of 1874.

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into a committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Armstrong in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

1. House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations;

The consideration of the same being continued from the morning session of the committee,

Report the same back to the House without action as to the merits of the bill, and recommend that it remain on the general order for future consideration.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

2. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of "Killbuck," in the county of Lake, to "Norwood,"

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the committee on towns and counties.

SULLIVAN ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the first named bill was continued on the general order.

The second named bill was re-committed to the committee on towns and counties.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Saturday, January 16, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss A. Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Backus, Hull, Hunt, Livingstone, Ludington Metcalf, Meyer, Preston, Robbins, Smith, and Stowe.

Mr. Van Raalte asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Meyer until Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hubbard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ludington until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Knight asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull until Tuesday.

Mr. Wilson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stowe until Monday.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Livingstone until Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Stephens asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Knight asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Metcalf until Tuesday.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt until Tuesday.

Mr. Sweetland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Backus until Tuesday.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday, on account of sickness.

Mr. Keyes asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Robbins until Tuesday.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself and Mr. Preston until Tuesday.

Mr. Goodyear asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Smith until Tuesday.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 51. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of Isaac Bull and 271 others, citizens of Calhoun county, praying the Legislature to repeal the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools.

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 52. By Mr. Van Raalte: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Ottawa county, Michigan, relative to taxation.

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 53. By Mr. Harris: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Ottawa county, upon assessment of property and equalization of same for purposes of taxation.

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 54. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Wm. O. Ludlow and 108 others, asking for the passage of a resolution by which an amendment to the constitution of the State by striking therefrom section 47 of Article IV. thereof, may be submitted to the people; also, for the repeal of chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 55. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Martin Boorheim and 38 others, for the same purpose.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 56. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Peter Weinich and 39 others, for the same purpose.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 57. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of A. B. Armitage and 36 others, for the same purpose.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 58. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Wm. Walsh and 39 others, for the same purpose.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 59. By Mr. Potter: Petition of J. C. Gates, Robert Ricaby, E. D. Nichols, and 38 others, asking that a resolution amending the State constitution by striking out section 47, Article IV., be submitted to the people at the next general election; also asking for the repeal of chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1861, and the acts amendatory thereof,—the same relating to the prohibitory liquor law.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 60. By Mr. Hulbert: Petitions of citizens of Houghton county asking that the petition of citizens of L'Anse, Baraga, Spurr, and Arvon, for the organization of the county of Baraga be granted.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 61. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of L'Anse township, asking for organization of county of Baraga.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 62. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of town of Baraga for the same purpose.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 63. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of the township of Arvon for the same purpose.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 64. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of the township of Spurr for the same purpose.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 65. By Mr. Benedict: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Ionia county, for the repeal of the county superintendent of common schools, and make a law for township superintendents thereof.

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 66. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Petition of James Graham, Charles Munger, Samuel Tudor, John Defield, George Graham and 31 others, citizens of Oronoko township, county of Berrien, asking for the exemption of the St. Joseph river below the dam at Niles from the operation of the general fish law.

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 67. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of Red Jacket, asking incorporation.

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial from the Board of Supervisors of Hillsdale county, asking a modification of the law in relation to the return and drawing of jurors, and for the payment of jurors' fees in civil suits in the circuit courts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it do lie on the table, for the reason that, in the judgment of your committee, no change in the law is advisable on the subject to which it relates.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee.

The same was concurred in, and the memorial was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of E. W. Harris, circuit judge, V. A. Saph, H. P. Wands, and 20 others, residents of St. Clair county, asking for the passage of an act to regulate the fees of county clerks and registers in chancery, and petitions Nos. 3, 12, 18, 29, 40, and 46 on the same subject,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that they do lie on the table, for the reason that in the judgment of your committee, no change in the law is advisable, on the subject to which they relate.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

The question being on concurring in the recommendations of the committee,

The same were concurred in, and the several petitions were laid on the table.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven on Lake Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following concurrent resolutions:

Concurrent resolution appointing Benjamin B. Baker postmaster of the Senate and House.

Concurrent resolution appointing Mr. James W. King to compile and publish a manual.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 15, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

NOTICES.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill regulating the charges on palace, dining, and sleeping cars.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill amending sections 1788, 1789, 1790, of chapter 48 of Compiled Laws of 1871, known as township drain law.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto.

Mr. Wiley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce a bill entitled

A bill to prevent the dissemination and spread of the disease known under the name of peach yellows.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the harbor at Ontonagon.

Mr. Wilson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 107 of the session laws of 1848, being "An act to organize a school district from portions of the counties of St. Clair and Macomb."

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 46 of the session laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the protection of game and for the better preservation of elk, deer, birds, and wild fowl."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, and locate the county seat thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ne-gaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 104 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to provisions concerning actions and proceedings in certain cases, by adding one new section thereto, relative to the transfer of actions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Goodyear offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait on the Board of State Auditors, to urge forthwith the supplying of additional heating apparatus in the basement of this Hall.

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Goodyear, Klein, and Hewitt.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the House adjourn until Monday at 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Little moved to amend, by making the adjournment a recess until 11 o'clock this A. M.;

Which amendment prevailed.

The House then took a recess until 11 o'clock.

AFTER RECESS.

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 11 o'clock A. M.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Huggett asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Benjamin asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Watkins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Taylor until Monday at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Daly asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment reported by the committee,

The same was concurred in.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise an act entitled, "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores, etc.," approved February 5, 1853, and to repeal acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of "Red Jacket," Calumet township, Houghton county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on local taxation.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on local taxation.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Walker moved that when the House adjourn it be until 2½ o'clock on Monday afternoon.

Mr. Campbell moved to amend by making the time 8 o'clock P. M.;

Which was not agreed to.

The motion relative to adjournment was then lost.

Mr. Parker moved to adjourn until Tuesday morning at 10 A. M.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, January 18, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Weed.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Berk, Bradfield, Briggs, Budlong, Ferguson, Little, Ocobock, Ransom, Walker, and Walton.

Mr. Remer asked and obtained leave of absence for Messrs. Briggs and Ransom until to-morrow.

Mr. F. O. Clark asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Little until to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The other absentees were granted leaves of absence until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Copley announced that Mr. John Struble, from the 1st District of Cass county, was present, and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Struble came forward, took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, and took his seat.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 68. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of C. L. Mixer and 127 others, that you pass, to be submitted to the people, a resolution amending State Constitution by striking out section 47, of Article IV. thereof, in regard to licenses; also, repeal chapter 69, commencing on page 690 of Compiled Laws of Michigan of 1871, and all acts amendatory thereof;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 69. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Robert McLean and 40 others, relative to license and the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 70. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of F. Randolph and 26 others, citizens of Otsego county, praying the Legislature to organize a new township in said county, to be known as Cuba;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 71. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of N. L. Parmater and 37 others, citizens of Otsego county, praying the Legislature to organize a new township in said county, to be known as Livingston;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 72. By Mr. Wood: Petition of Kinsley & Stowell and 36 others, in favor of amending the Constitution of this State by striking out section 47 of Article IV., and repeal chapter 69, entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage;"

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

The Speaker announced the following petition:

No. 73. Petition of Wm. King, John High, R. L. Roy, and 105 others, in reference to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on local taxation:

The committee on local taxation, to whom was referred

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 74. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of Frederick Hart, Wm. L. Greenby, and 37 others, in relation to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 75. By Mr. Hart: Petition of E. J. Miller, M. J. Eastman, Silas Lyon, and 60 others, on the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 76. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of H. Bartow, R. B. Smith, J. M. Webster, Josiah Dilly, Jonas Newman, and 195 electors, on the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a resolution of the House instructing them to report the amount of mileage due each of the members of the House of Representatives,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report herewith the several amounts due as aforesaid to each of the members of this House:

	Miles.		Miles.
Mr. Armstrong	240	Mr. Hale	40
Backus	122	Harden	256
Bailey	82	Harris	246
Bartow	116	Hart	172
Benedict	52	Hertzler	272
Benjamin	154	Hewitt	142
Berk	300	Hollon	138
Billings	246	Houston	114
Brudfield	1,640	Howard	300
Briggs	184	Howland	228
C. Brown	184	Hubbard	192
E. A. Brown	326	Huggett	70
Budlong	110	Hulbert	1,512
Campbell	212	Hull	212
Churchill	454	Hunt	174
A. K. Clark	200	Keyes	144
F. O. Clark	1,222	Kilbourne	2
Cole	420	Klein	174
Copley	188	Knight	242
Craig	174	Lay	172
Curry	1,348	Lee	458
Daly	174	Little	136
Dow	160	Livingstone	174
Eggleston	292	Ludington	446
Ferguson	438	McLachlin	230
Garfield	230	Mercer	98
Gerrish	240	Metcalf	218
Goodyear	120	Meyer	94
E. H. Green	604	Morse	168
I. Green	400	Moshier	110
Greiner	188	Neff	206

	Miles.		Miles.
Mr. Northrop	146	Mr. Sutton	168
Norton	226	Sweetland	216
Ocolock	194	Taylor	42
Packard	204	Towne	248
Parker	222	Townsend	308
Potter	412	Van Aken	168
Preston	94	Van Raalte	324
Ranney	138	Walker	44
Ransom	212	Walton	164
Reed	228	Watkins	240
Remer	284	West	432
Rich	242	A. R. Wheeler	376
Robbins	200	I. P. Wheeler	120
Robinson	196	Whitney	280
Schattler	214	Wiley	316
Smith	104	Wilson	260
Stephens	84	Wood	80
Stowe	78	Yeckley	272
Struble	292	Speaker	208

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon the adoption of the report,

The same was adopted.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means respectfully report, without instruction, the number of miles of each of the officers of this House, as the same has been usual in all former sessions of the Legislature:

	Miles.
D. L. Crossman, Chief Clerk	16
E. B. Wood, Corresponding Clerk	2
Lewis M. Miller, Journal Clerk	224
Horace R. Hulburt, Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk	110
R. M. Fitch, Sergeant-at-Arms	270
E. R. Ransom, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms	224
Geo. A. Morrison, Messenger	2
Chas. Wells, Messenger	218
Van W. Coryell, Messenger	2
E. Van Aken, Messenger	2
F. Littell, Messenger	240
E. C. Williams, Messenger	300
Geo. Buckland, Messenger	2
Thornton Mitchell, Messenger	448
W. B. Burnham, Fireman	2
Chas. Kellogg, Assistant Fireman	50
Wm. Tomlinson, Keeper Clock-Room	174
C. R. Stickney, Clerk W. and M., and R. R. Committees	240
Charles C. Hopkins, Clerk Judiciary Committee	251

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Green moved to amend the report by making the mileage of the Chief Clerk 28 miles.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The matter of the mileage of the officers of the House was re-referred to the committee on ways and means.

NOTICES.

Mr. E. A. Brown gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, as amended by an act entitled, "An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved Feb. 12, 1859, approved March 16, 1867, as amended by an act, No. 260, approved April 19, 1873.

Mr. I. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution relative to homesteads for honorably discharged soldiers and sailors.

Mr. Hubbard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of No. 46, Session Laws of 1873, for the better protection of wild turkeys and ruffed grouse ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 64 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to prevent the wholesale destruction of wild pigeons during the nesting season.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the protection of the rights of laborers and mechanics.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill to amend section 13, of chapter 244, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to an attempt to murder by poisoning, etc.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Copley offered the following :

Resolved, That the naming of a person for Senator in the Congress of the United States, as required by law, in place of Hon. Zachariah Chandler, whose term of office expires on the 3d day of March next, be made the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Van Aken in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the navigation of the Harbor at Saugatuck, in Allegan county, on Lake Michigan;

2. House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven, on Lake Michigan;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

G. W. VAN AKEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolutions were then placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Copley, by unanimous consent, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House adopted the resolution making the naming of the person for Senator in the Congress of the United States, in place of Hon. Zachariah Chandler the special order for to-morrow at 11 o'clock A. M.;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Copley moved to amend by making the time of the special order 3 o'clock P. M. instead of 11 o'clock A. M.;

Which amendment was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 19, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Parsons.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 77. By Mr. Hull: Petition of C. H. Goodwin and 33 others, respectfully requesting that you will pass, to be submitted to the people at the next general election, a resolution amendatory of the State constitution, by striking out section 47 of Article IV. thereof, in regard to license; also, that you will pass an act repealing chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 78. By Mr. Moshier: Petition of J. A. Perkins, T. Simmons, H. F. Bush, Z. A. Gage and 37 others, praying for the incorporation of the village of Gainer, in the county of Genesee;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 79. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of Wm. Hakes, Geo. W. Whitney, A. A. Baxter, and 36 others, asking that a resolution amending the State Constitution by striking out Sec. 47, Art. IV., be submitted to the people at the next general election; also, asking for the repeal of chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 80. By Mr. Stowe: Petition of B. F. Sheldon, L. D. Smith, and 60 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 81. By Mr. Watkins: Petition of John S. Peek, Ed. S. Benham, and 45 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 82. By Mr. Meyer: Petition of Robert Bigham, Timothy Phillips, M. C. Case, G. W. Stewart, and 85 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 83. By Mr. Rich: Petition of John A. Knerger, Philander Powers, and 39 others, citizens of Lapeer county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 84. By Mr. Little: Petition of John J. Rosen and 79 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 85. By Mr. Northrop: Petition signed by Jeremiah O'Connor, J. R. Hosie, and 36 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 86. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Samuel L. Jones and 31 others, citizens of Pavillion, Mich., asking for taxation of church property;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 87. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of A. McKain and 35 others, citizens of Pavillion, Mich., relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 18, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited in the office of Secretary of State,

Concurrent resolution to appoint Benjamin B. Baker of Ingham, postmaster of the Senate and House.

Also,

Concurrent resolution appointing James W. King to compile and publish a manual.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The communication was received and laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER.
Lansing, Jan. 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that Senators War-

ren, Boies and Mellen have been appointed members of the committee under the concurrent resolution adopted by the two Houses, to act with a like committee on the part of the House, relative to the compensation of the officers and employes of the Legislature.

Very respectfully.

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The Speaker announced his appointment under the same resolution as the committee on the part of the House, Messrs. Dow, A. R. Wheeler, and Daly.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators of the contracts of deceased persons for the conveyance of real estate.

Mr. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled, "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. McLachlin gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875 and 1876.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an act to exempt private burial grounds and places of interment for the dead, from taxation and levy on execution or attachments.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon, and attach thereto the unorganized county of Crawford.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 35, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, 8, 16, and 40 of chapter 163 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for the payment of debts, by executors, administrators and guardians.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 13, 15, and 23 of chapter 164 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to sale of lands of minors and other persons under guardianship, and investing proceeds for their use.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 37, entitled

A bill to amend section 31 of chapter 158 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the limitation of time for paying the debts and legacies of deceased persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4626 and 4627 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to mortgaging, or otherwise pledging estates by executors, administrators, and guardians.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to organize the township of North Brighton, in the present unorganized county of Crawford, and attach the same to the county of Roscommon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill regulating the charges on palace, dining, and sleeping cars.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 41, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 188 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled of evidence.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 201 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled of attachments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 7, 8 and 9 of Act No. 185 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act establishing a lien for labor and service upon logs and timber."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill for the protection of the rights of laborers and mechanics.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hulbert, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. L. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend an act of Congress relative to homesteads for honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, their widows and orphan children.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the navigation of the harbor at Saugatuck, in Allegan county, on Lake Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schaffler,
Backus,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Struble,
Berk,	Harrie,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Goodyear,			

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven on Lake Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Mercer,	Struble,
Berk,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,		Remer,	Wilson,

Mr. Eggleston,
Ferguson,
Garfield,
Gerrish,

Mr. Klein,
Knight,
Lay,
Lee,

Mr. Rich,
Robbins,
Robinson,

Mr. Wood,
Yeckley,
Speaker,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 88. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Wm. H. Butler, Thos. Downs, James Cogley, and 100 others, residents of the township of Emmett, county of St. Clair, praying that no change be made in the boundaries of the township of Emmett, in said county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 89. By Mr. Howard: Petition of E. W. Harris, A. R. Avery, Wm. T. Mitchell, and 15 others, attorneys of St. Clair county, praying that a law be enacted increasing the fees of sheriffs and other officers attending upon circuit courts;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 90. By Mr. Dow: Petition of Cyrus Peabody, Alex. McLane, Benj. Smith, and 32 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 91. By Mr. Moshier: Petition of W. H. Chapman, W. Wiley, George Grove, P. L. Daniels, Thomas Marshall, H. D. Pugh, and 264 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 92. By Mr. Van Rualte: Petition of M. P. Visser, Samuel Smith, M. D. Howard, and 75 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 93. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of M. Babcock and 187 others, tax-payers of St. Johns,—forwarded by the Equal Taxation Society of Michigan;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Saint Joseph," approved March 7th, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. E. A. Brown, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, as amended by an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, approved March 16, 1867, as amended by act No. 260, approved April 19, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Bailey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of

chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being, sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways and adding a new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on roads and bridges and judiciary jointly.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House took a recess until 2:55 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTER RECESS.

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 2:55 o'clock P. M.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER.

The Speaker announced that the hour of 3 o'clock had arrived, which was the time fixed by resolution of the House for proceeding to elect a Senator in Congress in place of Zachariah Chandler, whose term of office expires on the 4th day of March next.

The House then proceeded, by a *viva voce* vote, to name a person for Senator in Congress, with the following result:

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Hale,	Ludington,	Towne,
Berk,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Preston,	Watkins,
Copley,	Howard,	Ranney,	West,
Dow,	Howland,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Hubbard,	Remer,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Huggett,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Lee,		46

FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Schattler,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Klein,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hulbert,	Moshier,	Walton,
Cole,	Hunt,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,			17

FOR HENRY CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. Benjamin, E. A. Brown, Daly,	Mr. Harris, Hollon, Hall,	Mr. Packard, Ransom, Smith,	Mr. Struble, Whitney, Wiley,	12
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FOR ORLANDO M. BARNES.

Mr. Bartow, Kilbourne,	Mr. Little, Meyer,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe,	Mr. Wood,	7
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FOR J. WEBSTER CHILDS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Robinson,	Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Van Aken,	4
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FOR AUGUSTUS C. BALDWIN.

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Norton,	3
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FOR WILLIAM A. MOORE.

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Craig,	2
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FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Neff,	Mr. Parker,	2
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FOR CHARLES E. STUART.

Mr. Knight,	Mr. Metcalf,	2
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FOR THOMAS M. COOLEY.

Mr. Potter,	1
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FOR ANDREW W. COMSTOCK.

Mr. Churchill,	1
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FOR JOHN J. BAGLEY.

Mr. Garfield,	1
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FOR JOHN C. BLANCHARD.

Mr. Mercer,	1
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FOR ROBERT M'CLELLAN.

Mr. Hertzler,	1
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The Speaker announced that, no person having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no choice by the House.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 20, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Reasoner.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 94. By Mr. Preston: Petition of Edward Cox, L. D. Dibble, John C. Wilde, Henry Bronson, and 108 others relative to the liquor traffic;
Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 95. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of George Herz and 97 others, electors of Sanilac county, on the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 96. By Mr. Packard: Petition of George H. Strohen and three others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 97. By Mr. Packard: Petition of Joseph Stock, A. Williams, and 16 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 98. By Mr. Packard: Petition of Jacob Rembe, Gottlieb Heisel, and 138 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 99. By Mr. Packard: Petition of H. Bonebright, H. Pedgeon, and 39 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 100. By Mr. Lay: Petition of Thomas Neat, John S. Lang, Wm. Roberts, and 40 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 101. By Mr. Hull: Petition of W. H. Hatch and 90 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 102. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of J. Horton, R. B. Shipman, and 113 others, citizens of Calhoun county, asking the Legislature to repeal the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 103. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of C. Butler and 27 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 104. By Mr. Huggett: Petition of J. L. Whitford, Thos. N. Wright, B. Bedell, C. H. Colegrave and 80 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 105. By Mr. Hale: Petition of C. G. Campbell and 57 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 106. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Thomas Downs, J. Robinson, T. Butler, and 45 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 107. By Mr. Houston: Petition of John Butler, Samuel W. Hill, John Adams, and 29 others, relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 108. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Mrs. Anne Downing for relief;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

On demand of Mr. Ransom, the petition was read at length, and spread upon the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, your petitioner, Anne Downing, a resident of the village of Little Traverse, in the State of Michigan, respectfully represents that she is the widow of Dennis T. Downing, late of Little Traverse, now deceased; that the said Dennis T. Downing, in his life-time, and on the 30th day of December, A. D. 1871, made and delivered to your petitioner a bill of sale of

certain property and effects therein named, a copy of which bill of sale is hereto attached, duly verified. Your petitioner represents that said bill of sale, among other things, embraces the sale to your petitioner of two certain certificates for primary school lands, one of which certificates, No. 9955, issued by the Commissioner of the State Land Office at Lansing, for the east half of the northwest quarter of section sixteen, township thirty-five north, of range five west; also, certificate No. 10214, issued in like manner, for the northeast quarter of the same section, town, and range, containing two hundred and forty acres in all.

Your petitioner further represents that she is advised that the said certificates are not available to her in their present shape, the proper assignment not being thereto attached, according to the statute, and rules of the Land Office Department in such case made and provided, for the transfer of like certificates.

Your petitioner respectfully asks that a law may be passed authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to issue other and new certificates to your petitioner, upon the surrender, to the department, of the certificates above named, now held by your petitioner, or for such other relief to your petitioner as shall be just, and your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

ANNE DOWNING.

January 7, A. D. 1875.

No. 109. By Mr. Little: Petition of Colin McBratnie, Anthony Dorr, Joseph Zieroff, E. K. Dunton, and 29 others, tax-payers of the township of Jarvis, in the county of Saginaw, asking for the passage of an act authorizing said township to purchase from the "Swan Creek and Saginaw Bridge Company" their rights and franchises in a bridge crossing the Tittabawassee river in said township of Jarvis;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 110. By Mr. Keyes: Petition of Louis B. Davis, Edwin R. Smith, and 34 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 111. By Mr. Keyes: Petition of J. C. Burrows, John Mesler, and 38 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker announced the following:

No. 112. Petition of Edgar Conklin in reference to the action of the Commissioner of the State Land Office, in refusing to patent to him certain lands;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 113. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of Abner Crandall and 58 others, to change the boundary line between the counties of Antrim and Kalkaska;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 114. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of D. E. Wherry and 17 others, for organization of township of Excelsior, in Kalkaska county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was recommitted the report of your committee on the mileage of the officers and employés of the House,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, with amendments as directed, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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D. L. Crossman, Chief Clerk.....	32
E. B. Wood, Assistant Clerk.....	2
Lewis M. Miller, Journal Clerk.....	224
Horace R. Hulburd, Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk.....	110
E. M. Fitch, Sergeant-at-Arms.....	270
E. R. Ransom, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms.....	224
Geo. A. Morrison, Messenger.....	2
Charles Wells, Messenger.....	214
Van W. Coryell, Messenger.....	2
E. Van Aken, Messenger.....	2
F. Littell, Messenger.....	240
E. C. Williams, Messenger.....	300
George Buckland, Messenger.....	2
Thornton Mitchell, Messenger.....	448
W. B. Burnham, Fireman.....	2
Charles Kellogg, Assistant Fireman.....	100
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H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon the adoption of the report,

On motion of Mr. Bartow,

The report was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No 1, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to audit and allow traveling expenses to the circuit judges;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend section thirteen of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the Supreme Court, pursuant to section two of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February sixteenth, eighteen hundred and fifty-seven, being section four thousand eight hundred and ninety-six of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, as amended by act number one hundred and twenty-six of the session laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-three;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 19th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate Bill No. 5, entitled

A bill relative to criminal trials,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the Teutonia Aid Society of East

Saginaw, and the Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of said city, to be called the Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw, Mich.

Mr. Hertzler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3726 of the Compiled Laws, being section 14 of chapter 136, relative to borrowing money by school districts.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the organization of the township of Excelsior, in Kalkaska county.

Mr. I. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 75, Session Laws of 1873, relative to the duties of the judges of probate in certain cases.

Mr. Lay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the judge of probate of Washtenaw county to appoint a probate register.

Mr. Little gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Jameston, Saginaw county, to purchase of the "Swan Creek and Saginaw Bridge Company," its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a toll bridge.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend section two of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators, of the contracts of deceased persons for the conveyance of real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. McLachlin, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School, for the years 1875 and 1876.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Reform School.

Mr. Hertzler, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend section 7442 of the Compiled Laws, being section 10 of chapter 239, relative to the fees of witnesses in civil cases in courts of record.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hulbert offered the following :

Resolved, That the Auditor General be and is hereby respectfully requested to furnish, for the use of members of this House, printed abstracts, showing, in tabular form, by yearly statements from 1854 to the close of the fiscal year 1874, the following information relating to the operation of the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal:

Gross tonnage per year ;

Gross receipts per year ;

Gross outlay per year for administration, superintendence, and operation ;

Gross outlay per year for construction ;

Gross outlay per year for repair ;

Yearly balance of cash ;

Disposition of such yearly balance ;

Total gross receipt and outlay ;

Total net profit to the State ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Robbins offered the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and are hereby requested to introduce and urge the passage of a bill granting one hundred and sixty acres of government land to the surviving soldiers and sailors of the war for the suppression of the rebellion, without any restrictions connected therewith, in regard to occupation.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Robbins offered the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and are hereby requested to introduce and urge the passage of a bill to equalize the bounties of the soldiers and sailors of the war for the suppression of the rebellion.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House took a recess until 11:45 o'clock this A. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 11:45 o'clock A. M.

Roll called ; quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

A committee of three were appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that

body that the House would meet them in joint convention at 12 o'clock M., to compare the votes of the two Houses for the office of United States Senator.

The Speaker announced as such committee, Messrs. Ferguson, Garfield, and Benjamin.

The committee, after a short absence, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention met at 12 o'clock M., and was called to order by the Hon. Henry H. Holt, Lieutenant Governor, and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the Senators were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President announced the object of the joint convention to be to compare the proceedings of the Senate and House of Representatives of yesterday, relative to electing a person for Senator of the United States for six years from the 4th of March next, and to ascertain whether the same person had received a majority of all the votes cast in each House for such office.

The Secretary of the Senate read the journal of the proceedings of the Senate thereon, as follows :

IN SENATE.

Tuesday, January 19, 1875.

The President announced that the hour of 3 o'clock had arrived, the time fixed for naming a United States Senator in place of Hon. Zachariah Chandler, whose term of office will expire on the 4th day of March next.

Mr. Boies moved that there be a call of the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary, and the following Senator reported absent without leave :

Senator Gray.

On motion of Mr. Adair,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentee.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Gray at the bar of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

Mr. Gray was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

All further proceedings under the call were then dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Warren,

The Senate proceeded to name a United States Senator by a *viva voce* vote, with the following result :

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Boies,	Mr. Greusel,	Mr. Nelson,	Mr. Thompson,
Cook,	Jenks,	North,	Warren,
Fancher,	Mitchell,	Osborn,	Wells,
Garvey,	Murray,	Thomas,	Wood,
Gray,			

FOR ROBERT M'CLELLAND.

Mr. Adair,		1
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FOR HENRY CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. Berrick,	Mr. Webber,	2
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FOR AUGUSTUS C. BALDWIN.

Mr. Babcock,		1
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FOR ALPHEUS FELCH.

Mr. Cobb,		1
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FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Corey,	Mr. David,	Mr. Mellen,	3
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FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Fish,	Mr. Jones,	2
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FOR ORLANDO M. BARNES.

Mr. Huntington,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. White,	3
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FOR AUSTIN BLAIR.

Mr. Hawkins,		1
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FOR WILLIAM A. MOORE.

Mr. Redfield,		1
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The President declared that Hon. Zachariah Chandler had received a majority of all the votes cast.

The Clerk of the House read the journal of the proceedings of the House of Representatives thereon, as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Tuesday, January 19, 1875.

The Speaker announced that the hour of 3 o'clock had arrived, which was the time fixed by resolution of the House for proceeding to elect a Senator in Congress in place of Hon. Zachariah Chandler, whose term of office expires on the 4th day of March next.

The House then proceeded, by a *viva voce* vote, to name a person for Senator in Congress, with the following result:

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Hale,	Ludington,	Towne,
Berk,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Preston,	Watkins,
Copley,	Howard,	Ranney,	West,
Dow,	Howland,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Hubbard,	Remer,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Huggett,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Lee,		

FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Backus, Benedict, Bradfield, Cole, Curry,	Mr. Goodyear, Greiner, Hulbert, Hunt,	Mr. Keyes, Klein, Moshier, Northrop,	Mr. Schattler, Sutton, Walton, I. P. Wheeler,
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FOR HENRY CHAMBERLAIN.

Mr. Benjamin, E. A. Brown, Daly,	Mr. Harris, Hollon, Hull,	Mr. Packard, Ransom, Smith,	Mr. Struble, Whitney, Wiley,
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FOR ORLANDO M. BARNES.

Mr. Bartow, Kilbourne,	Mr. Little, Meyer,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe,	Mr. Wood,
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FOR J. WEBSTER CHILDS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Robinson,	Mr. Taylor,	Mr. Van Aken,
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FOR AUGUSTUS C. BALDWIN.

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Norton,	
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FOR WILLIAM A. MOORE.

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Craig,		
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FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Neff,	Mr. Parker,		
			2

FOR CHARLES E. STUART.

Mr. Knight,	Mr. Metcalf,		
			2

FOR THOMAS M. COOLEY.

Mr. Potter,			
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FOR ANDREW W. COMSTOCK.

Mr. Churchill,			
			1

FOR JOHN J. BAGLEY.

Mr. Garfield.			
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FOR JOHN C. BLANCHARD.

Mr. Mercer,			
			1

FOR ROBERT M'CLELLAND.

Mr. Hertzler,			
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The Speaker announced that, no person having received a majority of all the votes cast, there was no choice by the House.

THE READING OF THE JOURNALS COMPLETED,

The President declared that, no person having received a majority of all the votes cast in each House of this Legislature, for the office of Senator in Congress of the United States, for six years from the fourth day of March next, no choice was made.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The joint convention proceeded to take a *viva voce* vote for the election of United States Senator. Whereupon the President of the Senate directed the Secretary to call the roll of the Senate;

Which was done, and the several Senators voted as follows:

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Boies, Cook, Fancher, Garvey, Gray,	Mr. Grensel, Jenks, Mitchell, Murray,	Mr. Nelson, North, Osborn, Thomas,	Mr. Thompson, Warren, Wells, Wood,	17
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FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Adair, Babcock, Berrick, Cobb,	Mr. Corey, David, Hawkins,	Mr. Huntington, Mellen, Morse,	Mr. Redfield, Webber, White,	13
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FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Fish,	Mr. Jones,	2
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The Speaker of the House then directed the Clerk to call the roll of the House;

Which was done, and the several Members voted as follows:

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Armstrong, Baily, Berk, Billings, C. Brown, F. O. Clark, Copley, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. E. H. Green, I. Green, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Morse, Ocobock, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins,	Mr. Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,	47
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FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Backus, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Bradfield, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Craig,	Mr. Curry, Daly, Goodyear, Greiner, Harris, Hertzler, Hollon, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne,	Mr. Klein, Knight, Little, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Packard, Potter, Ransom,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wood,	47
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FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Neff,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Taylor,	3
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FOR J. WEBSTER CHILDS.

Mr. Briggs, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Van Aken, 3

The President announced that, no person having received a majority of the votes cast by all the Senators and Representatives present and voting, no election had taken place.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the joint convention do now adjourn.

Senator Gray demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

SENATORS.

YEAS.

Mr. Adair,	Mr. Fancher,	Mr. Mellen,	Mr. Osborn,	
Babcock,	Fish,	Mitchell,	Redfield,	
Berrick,	Garvey,	Morse,	Thompson,	
Cobb,	Hawkins,	Murray,	Warren,	
Corey,	Huntington,	Nelson,	Webber,	
David,	Jones,	North,	White,	24

NAYS.

Mr. Boies,	Mr. Gray,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. Wells,	
Cook,	Greusel,	Thomas,	Wood,	8

REPRESENTATIVES.

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,	
Bailey,	Garfield,	Livingstone,	Smith,	
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stephens,	
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,	
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Struble,	
Bradfield,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sutton,	
Briggs,	Harden,	Moshier,	Sweetland,	
C. Brown,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,	
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Townsend,	
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Raalte,	
Campbell,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,	
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Watkins,	
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	West,	
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Craig,	Keyes,	Remer,	Whitney,	
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,	
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,	74
Eggleston,	Lee,			

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Towne,
Berk,	Houston,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Billings,	Howard,	Parker,	Walker,

Mr. F. O. Clark,	Mr. Howland,	Mr. Preston,	Mr. A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Huggett,	Reed,	Yeckley,
I. Green,	Lay,		

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The joint convention then adjourned.

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

DANIEL L. CROSSMAN,
*Clerk of the House of Representatives,
And Secretaries of the Joint Convention.*

The Senators having retired, the House was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the House had met the Senate in joint convention; that the joint convention had compared the votes of the two Houses of yesterday as to the election of a United States Senator; that the journals of the two Houses showed no choice; that, in accordance with the law of the State of Michigan and the United States, the joint convention had proceeded to take a *viva voce* vote for such Senator, and that, no person having received a majority of the votes cast by all the Senators and Representatives present and voting, no election had taken place.

Mr. Hollon moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Potter moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on taking a recess until 2½ P. M.,

Mr. Towne moved to amend by making the time 3 o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was adopted.

The House then took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called; quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 115. By Mr. Whitney: Petition of Ryan Boye, P. L. Tubbs, F. Streish and 34 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 116. By Mr. Nelson: Petition of J. S. Parker, L. H. Canfield, E. L. Raymond and 20 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 117. By Mr. C. Brown: Memorial of Lenawee County Council of Patrons of Husbandry, asking for the establishment of a publishing house for a uniform system of school books at a cost of actual expenditure;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 118. By Mr. Copley: Petition of H. H. Brown, James T. Hay and 29 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 119. By Mr. Struble: Petition of J. B. Williams, J. T. Gardner, E. McKean, and 89 others, relative to the liquor traffic;
Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Jan. 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120 of the session laws of 1873, the same being an act providing for the location, establishment, and organization of an additional asylum for the insane,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the insane asylum.

NOTICES.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," being section (924) nine hundred and twenty-four of the Compiled Laws of (1871) eighteen hundred and seventy-one.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Cove on Isle Royale, county of Keweenaw.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach a portion of Schoolcraft county and attach the same to Delta county.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Hertzler in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and the acts amendatory thereto.

2. House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874.

3. House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

CHRISTIAN HERTZLER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The several bills were then placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 21, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wood.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Mr. Parker.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 120. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of John W. Wiggins and 73 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 121. By Mr. Morton: Petition of M. J. Spencer, Daniel Ross, and 36 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 122. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of V. C. Smith, Joseph Allen, and 123 other citizens of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, praying that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in the enforcement of the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 123. By Mr. Bradfield: Petition of S. G. Wright and others, for the township of Cove, Keweenaw county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 124. By Mr. Bradfield: Petition of Thomas S. Mason and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 125. By Mr. Yeckley: Petition of O. W. Fisk and 148 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 126. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Bethuel Rice and 35 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 127. By Mr. Hollon : Petition of Wesley Hawkins and 99 others, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 128. By Mr. Hollon : Petition of Charles Frantz and 75 others, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 129. By Mr. Van Aken : Petition of B. F. Clark, R. A. Ide, and 120 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 130. By Mr. Houston : Petition of H. S. Fowler and 37 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 131. By Mr. Bailey : Petition of F. W. Durein and 46 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 132. By Mr. Struble : Petition of E. M. Taylor, J. Johnson, and 87 others, citizens of Cass Co., relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to exempt mutual benefit and co-operative associations from the provisions of sections 10 and 29 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, and to add three new sections thereto to stand as sections 27, 28, and 29," approved April 5, 1871 ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return the following resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan.

2. House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the im-

provement of the navigation of Pine River, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan.

3. House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of the harbor at Eagle Harbor, Keweenaw county, Michigan.

4. House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, Michigan.

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several resolutions were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Jan. 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution :

Senate joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution to facilitate the purchase of the unmatured bonds of the State.

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution :

Senate manuscript joint resolution entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Mining Journal Company of Marquette, Michigan ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and pending the reference of the same,

Mr. Curry moved to suspend the rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of the members present not voting therefor.

The joint resolution was then referred to the committee on private corporations.

NOTICES.

Mr. Van Raalte gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan.

Mr. Moshier gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines, in the county of Genesee.

Mr. McLachlin gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 10 and 12 of Chapter 268 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 8135 and 8137, relative to the State Reform School.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the village of Granton to Standish, in Bay county.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the "Teutonia Aid Society" of East Saginaw, and the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association," to be called the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Livingstone, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," being section 924 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on ways and means and military affairs jointly.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in the county of Keweenaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hertzler, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 3726 of the Compiled Laws, being section 14 of chapter 136, relative to borrowing money by school districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Hubbard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 46 of Session Laws of 1873, relating to the protection of game; also, to amend section 2101 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to prevent the wholesale destruction of wild pigeons during the nesting season.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Walker,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. B. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Daly,	Klein,	Rich,	Wilson,
Dow,	Knight,	Robbins,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Lee,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Berk,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Townsend,
Badlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Goodyear,	Lee,	Robinson,	Speaker, 96

NAYS.

Mr. Garfield,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,

a bill to equalize the bounties of the soldiers and sailors of the war for the suppression of the rebellion.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The House took a recess until 11:45 o'clock this A. M.

AFTER RECESS.

The House was called to order by the Speaker at 11:45 o'clock A. M.

Roll called: quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

A committee of three were appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House would meet them in joint convention at 12 o'clock M., in accordance with the provisions of law, to take another *viva voce* vote for Senator in the Congress of the United States.

The Speaker announced as such committee, Messrs. Livingstone, Keyes, and Wood.

The committee, after a short absence, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and were discharged.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention met at 12 o'clock M., and was called to order by the Hon. Henry H. Holt, Lieutenant Governor, and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the Senators were present.

The roll of the House was called by the clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President announced the object of the joint convention to be the election of a Senator to represent the State of Michigan in the Congress of the United States, for the full term of six years from the 4th day of March next.

The President directed the Secretary to read the journal of the proceedings in the joint convention of yesterday,

Before the completion of which,

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The further reading of the journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Senator Webber,

The joint convention proceeded to take a *viva voce* vote for the election of Senator;

Whereupon the President of the Senate directed the Secretary to call the roll of the Senate, and the several Senators voted as follows:

FOR ISAAO P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Adair,	Mr. Corey,	Mr. Huntington,	Mr. Redfield,
Balcock,	David,	Jones.	Webber,
Berrick,	Fish.	Mellen,	White,
Cobb,	Hawkins,	Morse,	

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Boies,	Mr. Jenks,	Mr. North,	Mr. Warren,	
Garvey,	Murray,	Osborn,	Wells,	
Greusel,	Nelson,	Thompson,	Wood,	13

FOR BENJAMIN F. GRAVES.

Mr. Cook,				1
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FOR BENTON HANCHETT.

Mr. Fancher,				1
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FOR JOHN J. BAGLEY.

Mr. Gray,				1
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FOR SULLIVAN M. CUTCHEON.

Mr. Mitchell,				1
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FOR WILLIAM B. WILLIAMS.

Mr. Thomas,				1
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The Speaker of the House directed the Clerk to call the roll of the House, and the several Representatives voted as follows:

FOR ISAAC P. CHRISTIANCY.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,	
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Smith,	
Benedict,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stephens,	
Benjamin,	Harris,	Meyer,	Stowe,	
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Struble,	
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Sutton,	
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	Taylor,	
Campbell,	Hull,	Norton,	Van Aken,	
Churchill,	Hunt,	Packard,	Walton,	
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Cole,	Kilbourne,	Potter,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	Wiley,	
Curry,	Knight,	Robinson,	Wood,	58

FOR ZACHARIAH CHANDLER.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Ranney,	
Billings,	I. Green,	Lee,	Sweetland,	
Copley,	Hart,	Livingstone,	Watkins,	
Dow,	Hewitt,	Ludington,	West,	
Eggleston,	Houston,	McLachlin,	A. K. Wheeler,	
Garfield,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Yeckley,	
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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Huggett,	Mr. Rich,	Mr. Townsend,	
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Mr. Van Raalte,	FOR WILLIAM B. WILLIAMS.	1
Mr. Hale,	FOR WILLIAM A. HOWARD.	1
Mr. F. O. Clark,	FOR PETER WHITE.	1
Mr. Briggs, Mr. Towne,	FOR J. WEBSTER CHILDS.	2

The President announced that Isaac P. Christiancy, having received a majority of the votes cast by all the Senators and Representatives present and voting, was duly elected to the office of Senator in the Congress of the United States, from the State of Michigan, for the full term of six years from the 4th day of March next.

On motion of Mr. Daly,
The joint convention adjourned.

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

DANIEL L. CROSSMAN,
*Clerk of the House of Representatives,
And Secretaries of the Joint Convention.*

The Senators having retired, the House was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the House had met the Senate in a joint convention especially provided for by law, for the purpose of electing a Senator to represent the State of Michigan in the Congress of the United States for the full term of six years from the 4th day of March next; and that, in such convention, Isaac P. Christiancy having received a majority of the votes of all the Senators and Representatives present and voting, he was declared duly elected.

Mr. Towne moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 22, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Fassett.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Bailey, Berk, E. A. Brown, Campbell, Cole, Dow, Ferguson, Greiner, Hale, Neff, Ocobock, Parker, Remer, Stowe, and Whitney.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Neff, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Raalte, until Thursday.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. A. Brown, until Friday next.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Friday next.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednesday morning.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Robinson asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Benjamin asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until one week from next Tuesday morning.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until next Friday afternoon.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednesday morning.

Mr. Schattler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Tuesday morning.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The other absentees were granted leave of absence until Monday evening next.

The Speaker, by unanimous consent, announced the following message from the Senate:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the House concurring), That when this Legislature adjourn, it stand adjourned until next Tuesday, the 26th day of January instant, at eight o'clock P. M.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the passage of the concurrent resolution.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 26, 1875. }
8 o'clock P. M. }

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. McClure.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Churchill, Curry, Ferguson, E. H. Green, Huggett, Hull, Little, Metcalf, Northrop, and Watkins.

The Speaker announced that he was in receipt of a communication from Mr. Little, asking a leave of absence until Friday;

Which was granted.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green, until Thursday noon.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Churchill, until to-morrow.

Mr. Norton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Curry until to-morrow noon.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson until to-morrow noon, on account of sickness.

Mr. Craig asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Northrop until Thursday.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Watkins until to-morrow.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull until Thursday.

Mr. Hale asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Huggett until to-morrow.

Mr. Knight asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Metcalf until Thursday noon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 133. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of Valentine Rechter, Charles N. Remington, P. M. Goodrich, Edwin A. Burlingame, and 110 others, citizens of Kent county, asking for a change in the law regulating the catching of certain kinds of fish;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 134. By Mr. West: Petition of G. K. Hopkins, Samuel Jackson, and 15 others, citizens of Benton Harbor, asking that certain lands be detached from the village of Benton Harbor, in the county of Berrien;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 135. By Mr. Howard: Petition of U. S. Boynton, A. A. Graves & Co., T. Saunders & Co., and 150 others, praying for the repeal of the act creating a Board of Public Works for the city of Port Huron;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 136. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of Oliver Ramsey and 313 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 137. By Mr. Hulbert: Three petitions from citizens of the "Mission

District," of the township of Baraga, asking for the organization of the county of Baraga;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No 138. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of N. C. McEashom and 40 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 139. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of S. J. Sloats and 40 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 140. By Mr. Norton: Petition of Wm. Bradt and 32 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 141. By Mr. Packard: Petition of J. R. Watson, E. Blackman and 129 others, praying for the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 142. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of Sarah Tweedee, Sarah T. Allen, Mary A. Barney, and 93 other women, residents of Schoolcraft, Kalamasoo county, praying that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in the enforcement of the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 143. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens of the village of Hancock, asking for incorporation;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 144. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of Philander Horr, to have his name changed to Philander Carpenter.

On demand of Mr. Robbins, the petition was read at length and spread at large upon the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislative bodies of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned Philander Horr, of the town of Deerfield, in the County of Lenawee, Mich., being an orphan and left without maternal friends, and by the solicitation of some, with whom I am connected by consanguinity, together with other circumstances and surroundings, have desired me to petition your honorable body to change my surname of Horr, to that of Carpenter, so that my name for all future time may read and be Philander Carpenter (which is my earnest desire).

Having full confidence that your honorable body will take favorable action in the matter, in granting this my petition, I am, and remain your humble petitioner.

PHILANDER HORR.

Dated Deerfield, Lenawee Co., Mich., Jan. 20th, 1875.

The petition was referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 145. By Mr. Packard: Petition of L. A. Labadie and 39 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 146. By Mr. Packard: Petition of W. W. Noe, John Martin, and 96 others, praying for the repeal of the act creating county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, Jan. 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House, the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and are hereby requested to introduce and urge the passage of a bill to equalize the bounties of the soldiers and sailors of the war for the suppression of the rebellion.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return the following bills :

1. House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874 ;

2. House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874 ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be and are hereby requested to introduce and urge the passage of a bill granting one hundred and sixty acres of government land to the surviving soldiers and sailors of the war for the suppression of the rebellion, without any restrictions connected therewith, in regard to occupation.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections seven, eleven, fifteen, sixteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-two, and twenty-three of an act entitled "An act to provide a Municipal Court in the city of Detroit, to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 28, 1873, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, and twenty-nine.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville, in Barry county.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock, in Houghton county.

Mr. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section one of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine.

Mr. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Common Council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expenses of constructing certain sewers in said city upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby.

Mr. Daly gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Common Council of the City of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of Philander Horr to Philander Carpenter.

Mr. Knight gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill in relation to the assets of the Detroit Savings Fund Institute,

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing during the months of December, January, February, and March, in the inland lakes of the county of Oceana.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. McLachlin, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend Sections 10 and 12, of chapter 268, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 8135 and 8137, relative to the State Reform School.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Reform School.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Morze offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms is hereby directed to cause a weather house to be erected over the outside door of the paste room with as little delay as possible.

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend by striking out the words "Sergeant-at-Arms" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Board of State Auditors;"

Which amendment was agreed to.

The resolution as amended was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Parker.

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 27, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Jennings.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 147. By Mr. Hart: Remonstrance of Wm. Davidson, Alex. Findlater, E. J. Medler, and 163 others against the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 148. By Mr. Howard: Petition of John McGregor, John Reagan, Chas. Hewitt, and 45 others, residents of St. Clair county, praying for the repeal of the act authorizing the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road Company to increase their tolls; also, three other petitions on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 149. By Mr. Hertzler: Remonstrance of J. S. Noble, E. R. Gidday, and 20 others, of Monroe county, against the repeal of the law creating county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 150. By Mr. A. R. Wheeler: Petition of H. E. Russell, William Wighton, and 59 others, of Oceana county, asking for the repeal of the law creating the office of the county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 151. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of August Schmidt and 35 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 152. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Christopher Wagner and 35 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 153. By Mr. Howland: Petition of John L. Cock, J. H. Fisher, T. Q. Wood, C. W. Andrews, and 47 others, for the re-incorporation of the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 154. By Mr. Remer: Petition of Michael Diebler, Gregory Francis and 30 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 155. By Mr. Remer: Petition of Julius Granger, Alex. McArthur and 50 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 156. By Mr. Smith: Petition of J. T. Scofield, F. R. Crosby and 56 others of the township of Napoleon, Jackson county, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 157. By Mr. Berk: Petition of Justin Sweet, E. B. Ross, Ananias Pickerd and 23 others, residents of Berlin, St. Clair county, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 158. By Mr. Struble: Petition of N. B. Goodenough, H. S. Rogers, J. N. Gard and 37 others, in reference to license on dogs;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 159. By Mr. Struble: Petition of E. C. Goodspeed, G. S. Beebe, D. F. Goodspeed and 24 others, in reference to license on dogs;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 160. By Mr. Stowe: Petition of A. F. V. Cook, A. F. Frisbee and 87 others, praying that the present law creating the office of county superintendent of schools may be repealed, and the old system of township school inspectors substituted in place thereof;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 161. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of John Siphon and 200 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 162. By Mr. Cole: Petition of Chas. Paggett, Thos. P. Aldrich, and 52 others, asking that the township of Cleon, at present a part of the county of Wexford, be detached therefrom and be annexed to the county of Manistee, the same being taken from the territory of said Manistee county by the Legislature of 1873;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 163. By Mr. Cole: Petition of H. C. Dunning and 38 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 164. By Mr. Keyes: Petition of Peter R. Adams, Jacob G. Roberts, and 50 other citizens of Lenawee county, for the passage of a law to prevent trespass on lands for the purpose of hunting, fishing, etc.;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 165. By Mr. Keyes: Petition of Peter R. Adams, P. Waller Adams, Jacob G. Roberts, and 90 other citizens of Lenawee county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 166. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of W. G. Thompson and 33 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 167. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of O. H. Green, James Todd, Geo. W. Underwood, and 36 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 168. By Mr. Walton: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Bay county, asking the Legislature to repeal the law creating the office of County Superintendent of Schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 169. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of E. W. Knapp, H. F. McCormick, Henry H. Havens, and 164 others, citizens of Kent county, praying for the repeal of the law creating the office of County Superintendent of Schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 170. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of R. S. Hages, J. A. Casada, Charles Frey, and 34 others, electors of Newaygo county, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 171. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of H. S. Tyler and 9 others of Dalton, Muskegon county, asking for the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 172. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of A. J. Bement and 14 other citizens of DeWitt, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 173. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Ira Chaffee, F. J. Littlejohn, and 116 other citizens of Allegan county, in favor of the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 174. By Mr. Wood: Petition of John B. Eaton and 148 others, citizens of Jackson county, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 175. By Mr. Wilson: Petition of O. Granger, A. L. Gilbert, Thomas Dawson, and 90 other citizens of Macomb county, asking a change in the law relative to the places of holding elections;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 176. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Bernard Haffinger for relief;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

No. 177. By Mr. Daly: Memorial of the common council of the city of Detroit.

On demand of Mr. Daly the memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

CITY OF DETROIT,
Clerk's Office, Jan. 21, 1875. }

Hon. James Daly :

SIR—Your attention is respectfully called to the following communication and accompanying resolution, passed by the common council January 19, 1875. Enclosed I send the bill as instructed :

FROM THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Honorable the Common Council :

GENTLEMEN—The amount appropriated for the construction and completion of the large public sewers running north from the Detroit river being inadequate, it is deemed advisable that a further loan be authorized. To complete these sewers, it will require in addition to the amount appropriated for that purpose, three hundred thousand dollars.

Inasmuch as the Legislature will not again convene in two years, to provide against contingencies, the Board are of opinion that should your honorable body desire the completion of said sewers, immediate steps be taken by the Common Council, whereby authority may be obtained for raising the amount required.

In the year 1860 the Board of Sewer Commissioners recommended these sewers as part of the general plan for sewerage, in accordance with the City Charter, for the purpose of cutting off and relieving the old sewers, as some of them are of too small capacity to receive the amount of sewerage demanded by the large territory in the outskirts of the city.

That said sewers may be extended and completed, without interruption, the Board respectfully recommend that a resolution be adopted by your honorable body requesting our Senators and Representatives in the Legislature to procure the passage of an act authorizing the Common Council to issue three hundred thousand dollars of city bonds, to be negotiated at such times and in such amounts as will from time to time be required as the work progresses.

Respectfully submitted,

HARVEY KING, *President.*

Accepted, and permission being granted, Ald. Hough offered the following:

Resolved, That our Senators and Representatives in the Legislature, be and they are hereby respectfully requested to procure the passage of an act authorizing the common council to issue, under a vote of the board of estimates, three hundred thousand dollars of city bonds of the usual kind and denominations, for the purpose of continuing and completing the large public sewers running from the Detroit River toward the northern portion of the city, to terminate at such localities as the board of public works may deem proper and recommend.

Resolved, That the city clerk be directed to forward the accompanying bill to the Hon. James Daly at Lansing, with a request that he urge its immediate passage by the Legislature.

The bill was thereupon read by the clerk, when Ald. Hough moved the adoption of the resolution.

The motion prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Baxter, Blodgett, Christianau, Dorr, Dunlap, Finney, Finnegan, Gies, Guthard, Heames, Hinchman, Horn, Hough, Kurtz, Owen, Rouland, Schmitt, Schmittiel, Shanahan, Wilks, and the President—21.

Nays—None.

CHAS. H. BORGMAN, *City Clerk.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred
Senate Bill No. 4, entitled

A bill providing for the platting and recording of highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section one of chapter one hundred and sixty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies of executions on real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

NOTICES.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the raising of specific taxes on copper ore mined in this State by chartered companies, corporations, joint stock associations, and private individuals.

Mr. Norton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend sections two and fourteen of the Compiled Laws of 1871," entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs."

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the Michigan Masons' Mutual Benefit Association.

Mr. Howland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend "An act to provide for proceeding by attachment in certain cases, approved March 27, 1867," by adding as section 8 of said act a provision for the seizure of stock in corporations and joint stock companies by writ of attachment;

Also,

A bill to amend section 5878 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, which relates to the taking of depositions.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled "An act to provide a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called the Superior Court of Detroit," approved March 28, 1873, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Lay, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to authorize the judge of probate of Washtenaw county to appoint a probate register.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to change the name of Philander Horr to Philander Carpenter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock, Houghton county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to amend the act incorporating the village of Middleville, Barry county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Jackson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act, entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to regulate the practice of medicine.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expense of constructing sewers in said city, upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. C. Brown offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be, and is hereby requested to inform the committee on State geological survey of the balance of cash now in the Treasury to the credit of the geological survey;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Copley in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

1. House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of chapter 120, being section 3396 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to cemeteries and cemetery associations;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

ALEXANDER B. COPLEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Hertzler moved that the House do concur in the recommendation of the committee of the whole.

Pending the taking the vote thereon,

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays ;

Which demand was not seconded.

The question then being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

The same was concurred in.

The title and enacting clause were laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. VanAken,

The House took a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called ; quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 178. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of the officers of the Lapeer & Pt. Huron Plank Road Company against the repeal of act No. 401, session laws of 1869, giving said company power to increase their tolls ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 179. By Mr. Whitney : Petition of Frank Scott, James Dawson, and 23 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 180. By Mr. Bartow : Petition of Samuel Reed and 69 others, citizens of Clinton county, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 181. By Mr. Bartow : Petition of H. Bartow and 27 others to amend laws for assessment of taxes ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 182. By Mr. Stowe : Petition of Wm. Dolan, G. W. Carr and 65 others, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 183. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of Omar Gutland and 21 others, for an act to define the boundaries of the town of Ingilston, and organize the town of Spalding ;

Referred to committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution to facilitate the purchase of the unmatured bonds of the State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1867, being section 4896 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 126, of the session laws of 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill fixing the time of the election of the Recorder of the city of Detroit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Asylum for the Insane:

The committee on Asylum for the Insane, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120, of the session laws of 1873, the same being an act providing for the location, establishment, and organization of an additional asylum for the insane,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. W. VAN AKEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns, and to add two new sections thereto,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Detroit, Hillsdale & Indiana railroad company,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

NOTICES.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors disabled by the loss of a limb or other equivalent disability the amount of land to which they would be entitled without the settlement upon the same as now required.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 192 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levy and collection of executions.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the enforcement of liens for freight by railroad companies.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3582 and 3624 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors and other school officers.

Mr. Badlong gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to convey the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section No. two (2) in Town No. seven (7), north of range No. three (3), east to Volney P. Murray, the legal owner thereof.

Mr. Cole gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Manistee.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Spalding, and define the boundaries of the township of Ingilston, in the county of Menominee;

Also,

A bill to amend sec. 18, paragraph 5266; also, sec. 20, paragraph 5268 of chapter one hundred and seventy-eight (178) of Compiled Laws of 1871, of attachments."

Mr. Bartow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 57 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, as amended by act 54 of the Session Laws of 1871, relative to trial of issues of fact;

Also,

A bill to amend section 41 of the Session Laws of 1869, being section 1007 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the fees of township treasurers for collecting taxes;

Also,

A bill to amend section one of the Session Laws of 1855, relative to the injury of any fruit tree, shade tree, ornamental shrub, plant, vine, or vegetable.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Wood in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

1. Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to audit and allow traveling expenses to the circuit judges,

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on judiciary, with instructions to bring in a substitute proposing to amend the constitution by increasing the salaries of circuit judges and limiting the number of circuits.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

2. Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public ;

3. Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways ;

4. Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120 of the Session Laws of 1873, the same being a act providing for the location, establishment, and organization of an additional asylum for the insane ;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

JAMES C. WOOD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon concurring in the recommendations of the committee of the whole as to the joint resolution, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Parker demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the House concurred in the action of the committee, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Moshier,	Mr. Stowe,
Backus,	Garfield,	Neff,	Sweetland,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Norton,	Taylor,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Ocobock,	Towne,
Billings,	Greiner,	Packard,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hale,	Preston,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Ranney,	Walker,
Budlong,	Houston,	Reed,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Remer,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Rich,	West,
Cole,	Keyes,	Robinson,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Ludington,	Smith,	Whitney,
Craig,	McLachlin,	Stephens,	Wood,
Daly,	Mercer,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robbins,
Bradfield,	Howard,	Lay,	Schattler,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Lee,	Sutton,
I. Green,	Hunt,	Morse,	A. R. Wheeler,
Hart,	Kilbourne,	Parker,	Wilson,
Hertzler,	Klein,	Ransom,	Speaker,
Hewitt,			

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The three bills were then placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Towne,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, January 28, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss A. Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave Messrs. Curry, Ferguson, Hull, and Huggett.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull until Tuesday morning, on account of sickness.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson until tomorrow morning.

Mr. Rich asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Huggett during the day.

Mr. Norton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Curry for the forenoon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 184. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of George A. Soyer and 68 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 185. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Mrs. Allen Fish, Mrs. A. W. Smith, Mrs. A. E. Wastell, and 30 other residents of St. Clair county, praying to amend the act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquors."

On demand of Mr. Howard the petition was read at length and spread at large upon the journal, as follows:

PETITION TO THE LEGISLATURE:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in Legislature Assembled:

The undersigned citizens of the city of Port Huron, in the county of St. Clair, in the State of Michigan, believe that intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors is the prolific source of a very large proportion of the wretchedness, pauperism, insanity and crime in our Commonwealth; they also believe that the traffic in intoxicating beverages, holds the relation of an efficient cause to drunkenness and its consequences, and they further believe, that while the Prohibitory Liquor Law, now on the statute books of the State, is a good law in that it recognizes the duty of the State to prohibit this bad business, it is nevertheless seriously and radically defective in the means provided for its enforcement, and should be amended.

Therefore your petitioners pray you to amend the act entitled, "An act to prevent the Manufacture and Sale of Spirituous or Intoxicating Liquors as a beverage," in the following particulars, *to-wit*:

First—Amend section 4 by making the keeping of a bar, decanters, bottles, and the usual appliances for conducting the traffic in intoxicating beverages, and maintaining signs and other advertisements of such business, *prima facie* evidence of being a "common seller."

Second—Include beer and other fermented liquors in the same inhibitions with distilled spirits.

Third—Provide for a State constabulary whose special duty it shall be to aid the local executive authorities in the execution of the law.

Fourth—Provide that on conviction for the first and second offenses the penalties, in addition to those already imposed, shall be thirty and sixty days respectively in the county jail.

Mrs. Allen Fish,	Mrs. E. J. Inslee,	Mrs. S. A. Jones,
Mrs. Henry Fish,	Mrs. Geo. Bedford,	Mrs. A. Alexander,
Mrs. C. S. Fraser,	Mrs. E. Cassady,	Mrs. J. M. Kinney,
Mrs. F. M. Huntington,	Mrs. M. Hyde,	Mrs. E. Gillette,
Mrs. Fred. A. Fish,	Mrs. M. Walker,	Mrs. A. E. Wastell,
Mrs. H. S. McNeil,	Mrs. A. W. Smith,	Mrs. E. L. Boyce,
Mrs. J. C. Woodbury,	Miss Julia M. Smith,	Miss Ella Plant,
Miss Fannie McNeil,	Mrs. Jas. A. Davidson,	Mrs. A. N. Moffatt,
Mrs. A. S. Clark,	Mrs. Susan M. Gardner,	Mrs. C. Willson,
Miss Mary Smart,	Mrs. F. Spalding,	Mrs. J. S. Hoyt,
Mrs. J. Smart,	Miss May M. Jones,	Mrs. Geo. W. Jones.

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The petition was referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 186. By Mr. Ranney: Memorial of the common council of the city of Hillsdale, asking that the tax on the liquor traffic, if made a law, shall revert to the towns, cities and villages where collected.

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 187. By Mr. Gerrish: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Mecosta county in relation to county superintendents of schools.

On demand of Mr. Gerrish, the memorial was read at length, and spread at large upon the journal as follows:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, MECOSTA COUNTY,)
Big Rapids, Mich., Jan. 23, 1875.)

The following preamble and resolution was presented by Mr. Cannon:

To the Board of Supervisors of Mecosta County:

WHEREAS, An attempt is now being made to procure the repeal of the present law creating the office of county superintendent of schools; and

WHEREAS, We, the members of the board of supervisors of the county of Mecosta, believe that said law should remain upon our statute books; therefore,

Resolved, By the board of Supervisors of said county of Mecosta, that our Senator and Representative be and are hereby requested to do their utmost towards preventing any action having in view the repeal of said law.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Fuller, the clerk of this board was instructed to forward copies of the above preamble and resolution to our Senator and Representative in the State Legislature.

A true copy of the record.

CHARLIE GAY, *Clerk.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on education.

No. 188. By Mr. Gerrish: Memorial of the board of Supervisors of Mecosta county, relative to changing the system of taxation;

On demand of Mr. Gerrish the memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, MECOSTA COUNTY, }
Big Rapids, Mich., January 23, 1875. }

The following was presented by Mr. Fuller:

To the Honorable, the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

WHEREAS, Your memorialists, the members of the board of supervisors of the county of Mecosta, in the State of Michigan, firmly believe that the best interests of the people of this State will be subserved by the adoption of the "County Tax System," so called, and of the people of this county in particular; therefore,

Resolved, By the board of supervisors of Mecosta county, that the Senator and Representative who represent this county in the Legislature, be and hereby are requested to use all honorable means in their power to secure the passage of an act which shall provide for such tax system.

Adopted.

On motion the clerk was instructed to send certified copies of the above to Hon. E. L. Gray and to Hon. N. L. Gerrish.

A true copy of the record.

CHARLIE GAY, *Clerk*.

To Hon. N. L. Gerrish, Lansing, Mich.

The memorial was referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 189. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of Volney P. Murray to correct description and issue deed for the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 2, T. 7 N., R. 3 E.;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

No. 190. By Mr. Campbell: Petition of Alonzo Flagler, W. T. Bingham, C. T. Rodenbow, and 31 others, citizens of Oakland county, in regard to the proper labeling of matches;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 191. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of Kasper Eschenbach and 35 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 192. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of I. H. Swan and 17 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 193. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of John F. Brown and 37 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 194. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of J. C. Edison and 19 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 195. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of Chas. C. Merrill and 38 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 196. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Alexander O. Campbell and 33 others, of Antrim county, asking for taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 197. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of L. N. McClellan and 28 others, of Gratiot and Clinton counties, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 198. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Benjamin Watson and 35 others, of St. Joseph county, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 199. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of M. S. Sherman and 12 others, of Adrian, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 200. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of John W. Darling and 23 others, of Mendon, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 201. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of H. P. Lansing and 21 others, of Maple Rapids, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 202. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of H. W. Griswold and 66 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 203. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of W. Heim and 26 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 204. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of G. C. McComb and 39 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 205. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of J. R. Barber and 38 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 206. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of C. P. Sullivan and 47 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 207. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of Geo. Graham and 22 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 208. By Mr. Ludington: Petition of John R. Poss, James P. Omich, and 148 others, of Huron county, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 209. By Mr. Hunt: Petition of Alfred Bennett and 46 others, praying for the organization of the county of Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 210. By Mr. Watkins: Petition of Geo. H. White, Amos Rathbone, and 53 others, business men of Grand Rapids, Kent county, asking for the passage of a law to prevent over-insurance and to compel insurance companies to pay the full amount of insurance in case of total loss by fire;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

The Speaker announced the following petition:

No. 211. Petition of James Broker, W. Dain, H. Clumch and 86 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections seven, eleven, fifteen, sixteen, nineteen, twenty, twenty-two, and twenty-three of an act entitled "An act to provide a Municipal Court in the city of Detroit, to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 28, 1873, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six, twenty-seven, twenty-eight, and twenty-nine,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to amend section 18, of Chapter 201 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Of Attachments,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend section 102 of chapter 188 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Of Evidence,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, and 9 of act No. 185, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act establishing a lien for labor and services upon logs and timber,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to re-assess the expenses of constructing certain sewers in said city upon the lands, lots and premises benefited thereby,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874;

2. House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874;

Also, concurrent resolution asking Congress to pass a bill to equalize the bounties of soldiers and sailors;

Also, concurrent resolution asking Congress to pass a bill granting soldiers and sailors one hundred and sixty acres of government land, without regard to occupation.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, Jan. 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the Societé de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit to Societé de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Library.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Saugatuck, in the county of Allegan and State of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR:—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven, on Lake Michigan,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out in line 2 of the first resolution the words "they are," and insert "is" in lieu thereof;

2. By striking out in lines 3 and 4 the words "in Congress be instructed and our Representatives," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and Representatives in Congress be;"

And has also amended the preamble by striking out all between the word "ones," in line 12, and the word "therefore," in line 13;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Copley moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stowe,
Bailey,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Neff,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Norton,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Parker,	Walker,
Campbell,	Houston,	Preston,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,

Mr. Cole,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Remer,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Whitney,
Craig,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Daly,	Knight,	Robinson,	Wood,
Dow,	Lay,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Smith,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Stephens,	83
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The question being on agreeing to the amendment to the preamble,

The same was agreed to.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend an act to provide for proceeding by attachment, approved March 27, 1867, to stand as section 8 of chapter 201 of Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to re-assess the expenses of constructing certain sewers in said city upon the lands, lots and premises benefited thereby,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874;

2. House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874;

Also, concurrent resolution asking Congress to pass a bill to equalize the bounties of soldiers and sailors;

Also, concurrent resolution asking Congress to pass a bill granting soldiers and sailors one hundred and sixty acres of government land, without regard to occupation.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, Jan. 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the Societé de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit to Societé de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Library.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Saugatuck, in the county of Allegan and State of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR:—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven, on Lake Michigan,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out in line 2 of the first resolution the words "they are," and insert "is" in lieu thereof;

2. By striking out in lines 3 and 4 the words "in Congress be instructed and our Representatives," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "and Representatives in Congress be;"

And has also amended the preamble by striking out all between the word "ones," in line 12, and the word "therefore," in line 13;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Copley moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stowe,
Bailey,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Neff,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Norton,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Parker,	Walker,
Campbell,	Houston,	Preston,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,

Mr. Cole,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Remer,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Knight,	Robinson,	Wood,	
Dow,	Lay,	Schattler,	Yeckley,	
Eggleston,	Lee,	Smith,	Speaker,	83
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Stephens,		0
NAYS.				

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Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill for the taxation of the traffic in spirituous or intoxicating liquors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Spalding, and define the boundaries of the township of Ingilston, in the county of Menominee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Van Raalte, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Michigan Masons' Mutual Benefit Association.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Budlong, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 13, entitled

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to convey the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section No. two (2), in town No. seven (7) north, of range No. three (3) east, to Volney P. Murray.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend section 5878, Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to the taking of depositions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Towne moved to lay the bill upon the table,

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "twenty" in line 2 of recited section 109, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "thirty ;"

Which amendment was agreed to, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Wood moved to strike out the enacting clause ;

Which did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Towne moved to amend by striking out the words "seventy-five," in line 5, of recited section 109, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "twenty-five ;"

Which was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Eggleston moved to amend by striking out the words "one dollar" in line 2 of recited section 108, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "fifty cents ;" also, by striking out the words "seventy-five" in line 5 of recited section 109, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "fifty."

Which amendments were not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Berk,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Norton,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	West,
Cole,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Craig,	Klein,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Knight,	Rich,	Speaker, 56

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Mr. Backus,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Sutton,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Towne,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Packard,	Walton,
Briggs,	Harris,	Robinson,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hubbard,	Schattler,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Stephens,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Lee,	Stowe,	81

Title agreed to.

Mr. Hollon moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect.

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 120 of the session laws of 1873, the same being an act providing for the location, establishment, and organization of an additional asylum for the insane,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walker,
Churchill,	Houston,	Preston,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	West,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Rich,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Klein,		

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Mr. Mercer, Mr. Stephens, Mr. Speaker, 3

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Whitney moved to amend by striking out all of section 2 after the word "quarter-post," in line 4;

Which amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend by striking out all of line 2, in section 1, after the word "re-surveyed," to and including the word "quarter-lines," in line 3 of the same section.

Which amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bartow,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Morse,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Towne,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Howard,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howland,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Walton,
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Watkins,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	West,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Klein,	Rich,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Garfield,			77

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Mr. Harden,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Whitney,	Speaker,
Hollon,	Struble,		6

Title agreed to.

Mr. Walker moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Billings offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be, and is hereby requested to furnish such information as is in his possession, relative to certain lands in the townships of Richfield, Vienna, and Montrose, in Genesee county, known as the Dewey lands, for the benefit of this House, in answer to the following questions, to wit:

1st. How and when did the State come into possession of said lands?

2d. Why the taxes on said lands were credited to the several named townships for the years 1871, 1872, 1873, and in the year 1874 were all charged back to the several named townships to be assessed on the towns at large?

3d. Why (if the State owns said lands) have they not been put into market, and held to-day in market at a selling price?

4th. Why, if the State holds said lands, for advance or profit, it should be to the loss of individual townships, by depriving them of their quota of taxes?

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hertzler moved to take from the table the report of the committee on ways and means, relative to the mileage of the officers of the House.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the adoption of the report,

The same was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 212. By Mr. Hollon: Memorial of the Board of Supervisors of Saginaw county, requesting the Legislature to authorize the several township boards and the controller of the city of Saginaw, in said county, to bid in, in behalf of said several townships and said city of Saginaw, lands known as the State tax lands, situated in said several towns and said city of Saginaw, which have remained unsold for five years or more, and hold the same for the benefit of said several towns and city of Saginaw;

On demand of Mr. Hollon, the memorial was read at length, and spread at large upon the journal, as follows:

COURT HOUSE, SAGINAW, }
October 21, 1874. }

Ninth day of the regular session of the Board of Supervisors of Saginaw county.

Board met pursuant to adjournment.

The Hon. J. Barter in the chair.

Roll called; quorum present.

Resolved, By the Board of Supervisors of the county of Saginaw, that the Legislature of the State of Michigan be and is hereby requested, by a proper act of the Legislature, to authorize the several township boards of the several townships and Controller of the city of Saginaw, in behalf of said city, in this county, in the discretion of such township boards, to authorize the Supervisors and said Controller of their several townships to attend the annual tax sale held in the county of Saginaw, and bid in, in behalf and in the name of their several townships and cities, all descriptions of land lying in their several townships and cities known as State tax lands which have remained unsold for five or more years from the time such lands were bid off to the State, which lands so bid in for the several townships and cities shall be liable to taxation on the same as if they were not the property of such township and city, and such tax to be a lien upon the lands, and such township and city to have the same right to take any proceedings in law or equity given to individuals to quiet title and the right to sell, dispose of, and by a proper resolution of such township board to convey such lands as in cases provided by the general law of the State; and

Resolved, Further, that the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to furnish to the Senator from this district and to each of the members of the Legislature from this county, a certified copy of this resolution on or before the first day of the next session of the Legislature.

The ayes and nays being demanded, the resolution was carried by the following vote.

Ayes—Supervisor Aiken, Alberti, Andre, Brundage, Carter, Carmen, Doyle, Dunbar, Eaton, Griggs, Haack, Harder, Hollon, Haynes, Langlass, Loeffler, McMullen, Merrill, Miller, Moll, Nevins, Niver, Racine, Ring, Ross, Roeser,

Pettibone, Schupp, Smith, Spath, Stoker, Stark, Thompson, Ward, Warner, Wiltse, Savage, Schaefer—40.

Nays—None.

On motion the board adjourned till 10 A. M. to-morrow.

JNO. BARTER, *Chairman*.

FARD. B. SWEET, *Clerk*.

The memorial was referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 213. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Thos. S. Skinner, A. E. Chadwick, Wm. Potter, and 36 other residents of St. Clair county, praying to amend the act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of liquors;"

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 214. By Mr. Hart: Petition of Alfred Castele and Frank Noble asking to have certain territory detached from the township of Higgins and attached to the township of Roscommon in the present unorganized county of Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 215. By Mr. Hart: Petition of A. N. Dudley, H. W. Chase, and 59 others asking for the organization of the unorganized county of Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 216. By Mr. Hart: Petition of John Flanigan, Frank Noble, and 27 others for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 217. By Mr. Hart: Petition of Peter W. Pruden and 12 others for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 218. By Mr. Hart: Petition of T. S. Davis and 68 others, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 219. By Mr. Harden: Petition of Orrin Brown, D. P. Fenner, and 26 others, tax-payers of the township of Martin, Allegan county, asking for the repeal of the two-mill tax, and inserting in lieu thereof one mill;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 220. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of Geo. H. Holbrook and 64 others, citizens of Wexford county, asking that the township of Cleon, in the county of Wexford, be detached from said Wexford county, and attached to the county of Manistee, to which latter county the said township properly belongs;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 221. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of the supervisors of Osceola county and others, asking for uniform fees in the circuit courts;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 222. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of O. E. Herrick, M. D., A. R. Boggs, D. D., and 65 others, residents of Greenville, Montcalm county, Mich., in favor of House bill No. 41, entitled "A bill to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in this State;"

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 223. By Mr. Wilson: Petition of James Moore, Sr., in regard to swamp lands in Sanilac county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

No. 224. The Speaker announced the following communication and memorial, which were read and spread at large upon the Journal, as follows:

MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF HEALTH, }
OFFICE OF SECRETARY, }
Lansing, January 28th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR — I have the honor to transmit to you the accompanying memorial, relative to "Inspection of Illuminating Oil," "Protection of Life and Person on Railroads," and a "Pamphlet Edition of the Laws concerning the Public Health," which memorial has been prepared by the committee of this board on "Legislation in the interest of Public Health," and has been approved and adopted by this board.

Very respectfully,

HENRY B. BAKER,
Secretary of the State Board of Health.

The following is the memorial:

To the Honorable Senate of Michigan :

The State Board of Health of Michigan respectfully memorialize your Honorable Body to enact laws for the protection of life and health on the following subjects:

1st. Inspection of Illuminating Oils.

The laws now in force in this State in regard to the inspection of illuminating oils are sections 1501 to 1508, chapter 33 of Compiled Laws of 1871, amended by act No. 103 of Session Laws of 1873.

When the law of 1869 was enacted, the State of Ohio, from which we import the greater quantity of our illuminating oils, had passed a stringent law (passed April 16th, 1867) regulating the inspection of illuminating oils. This Ohio law directed that the judge of the Court of Common Pleas shall appoint as inspectors "suitable and qualified persons who are not interested in the making or vending of any of said oils;" that such persons shall take an oath to faithfully discharge the duties of their office; that if any person shall falsely brand any package, etc., of oil, he shall be liable to heavy fine and imprisonment; shall be liable for any civil damages, and for loss of life the parties shall be deemed guilty of manslaughter; and that the inspector, while in office, shall not be interested in any way in the sale of such oils as he is appointed to inspect.

The wise provisions and safeguards of this law seem to have satisfied the Legislature of 1869, for they provided in section 8 of the act approved April 3, 1869, that oils inspected under the laws of another State, and bearing the brand of the State Inspector or his deputy that they have been inspected and stand a fire test of 110° Fahrenheit, may be brought into this State and sold without being again inspected in our State.

So far as we can learn, the State of Ohio has never had a State inspector of illuminating oils, but so long as the law of Ohio provided for inspection by qualified and disinterested parties, who were under oath and who were liable to heavy fine and imprisonment for neglect or fraud in office, the people of this State did not seek to avail themselves of the technicality of our law in regard to a State inspector.

But the safeguards of the Ohio law were all removed by the Legislature repealing this law in 1872, and enacting a law in its place by which the vendor of the oil becomes the inspector, or he may employ any person to inspect it for him; such inspector not being appointed by a judge, taking no oath, giving no

bond, liable to no penalty for fraudulent branding, and may himself be directly interested in the manufacture and sale of such oils. The only point required by the Ohio law is that the oil shall bear inspection at 110° Fahrenheit. In the history of legislation we know of no other instance where the government claimed the right of inspection, and yet allowed the interested parties to inspect their own work or to have it inspected by parties of their own selection, with no penalties for fraudulent inspection and false branding.

Such being the law now in force in the State of Ohio, it must be evident to your honorable body that we cannot entrust the lives and health of our citizens, and the security of our property to inspection under that law. We ask your honorable body to repeal section 8 of an act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils, approved April 3, 1869, being section 1508 of chapter 33 of Compiled Laws.

By section 6 of this act the inspector is entitled to a fee of 10 cents for each barrel or package inspected and branded by him. We are satisfied that this fee is too small. Inspection in this State must usually be of barrels or small packages. Where the inspection is made at the manufactory, and reservoirs holding many hundred barrels may be tested by one or two inspections, this fee is ample. But no one qualified for this work can afford to inspect and brand single barrels at ten cents each. We recommend that the fee be increased to twenty-five cents for each barrel or package inspected.

The law in this State does not prescribe any special form of instrument to be used in making an inspection. There are several different instruments in the market. With some of these instruments the results are so largely within the control of the inspector that very discordant results may be reached by different inspectors with the same quality of oil. In the inspection of oils it is essential that the results of the inspection shall be beyond the personal control of the operator. It is desirable that the instrument shall be inexpensive, and so simple in its construction and use that any person of ordinary care and skill may use it. The Board has adopted such an instrument and named it "The State Board of Health Oil-Tester." A description of this oil-tester and directions for its use may be found on pp. 42-3 of the First Report of the Secretary of this Board. A sample of this instrument is in the hands of our Secretary in the office of the Secretary of State.

We respectfully ask your honorable body to designate by law this oil-tester as the instrument by which illuminating oils shall hereafter be inspected in this State, and that the method of inspection shall be that recommended by this Board on page 43 of the First Report of our Secretary.

2d. Protection of life and person on railroads.

The State Board of Health very well know that the general supervision of the railroads in this State is placed in the hands of a Commissioner of Railroads; they are not unmindful of the able and satisfactory manner in which the Commissioner has discharged his duties, and they desire to express their hearty approval of the several suggestions which he has made in his last report for additional protection to life and person of passengers, and of individuals on the railroad track. Without encroaching upon the duties so ably performed by the Commissioner, we desire to call your attention to some additional safeguards to life and person of those who travel by railroad.

It is to be presumed that railroad companies will best consult their own interests by securing the safety and comfort of their passengers. But it must not be forgotten that those companies must act through agents or employes,

some of whom may not feel this lively interest in the security and comfort of the passengers; and it may be assumed that the public have a right to a stronger claim on the good conduct of these employes than this general presumption of the best interests of the railroad companies. The employes themselves, through the neglect of some one, may not be informed of the rules of the company in regard to management of a train, and thus the rules which are designed to secure the safety of the traveling public may be unavailing through the ignorance of the very persons for whose guidance and instruction these rules were made. Thus it is in evidence that two of the employes, through whose mismanagement a disastrous collision of trains on the Detroit & Milwaukee Railroad occurred near Muir on the 29th of August, 1873, had never seen the printed rules of the company till they were produced at the coroner's inquest. The report of the company states that the brakeman, sent back by the conductor, with a red flag to protect the train and stop a freight train one and one-half miles behind them, failed to go far enough, and that the freight train, when signalled, could not be stopped in time, but ran into the rear of the passenger train, killing instantly four and wounding fourteen. From accounts published soon after the accident, it appears that the brakeman went back but a short distance, and when warned that the distance was too small, and ordered to go farther, refused to do so, and asked, "Who is doing this flagging?" The question of this brakeman we would respectfully refer to the consideration of the Legislature, and ask them to prescribe by law how warnings shall hereafter be given in cases of disabled trains. This man, whose hands were reeking with homicidal blood, escaped all punishment for his crime by flight to Canada; but if brought to trial and convicted, the extreme punishment to which he was liable was confinement in jail for six months and a fine of \$100.

By the last report of the Commissioner of Railroads, it appears that ninety-four (94) persons were killed and one hundred and sixty-three (163) injured by railroads in this State during the year 1873. There is nothing in the reports of the railroads to indicate that the number of killed and maimed was unusually large during 1873. But if so large a number of our citizens are to be annually sacrificed in this State, does it not become the duty of the Legislature to consider whether additional protection cannot be thrown around the persons of the traveling public by legal enactment? To this end we respectfully ask your honorable body to enact laws which shall embrace the following objects:

1st. That when a railroad train is arrested or disabled the conductor shall immediately send along the railroad track, in each direction from such train, a trusty person, with appropriate signal, to the distance of one mile or forty (40) telegraph poles, to signal and stop any approaching train; and the engineer of such arrested or disabled train shall give repeated and prolonged blasts with engine whistle to give warning of an arrested or disabled train.

2d. That if the conductor, messengers, or engineer shall fail to perform these duties, if any collision or other accident occur in consequence of such neglect, by which human life is destroyed, the person so offending shall be deemed guilty of manslaughter, and on conviction thereof shall be punished as provided for manslaughter.

3d. That if any railroad official or employe has knowledge of a defective or dangerous condition of the railway track, bridge, etc., by which any passing train would be endangered, and fails to remove the danger or to notify a proper officer of the road; and if any officer thus notified fails to warn any and

all trains which would pass over such defective or dangerous place, if any accident occur at such place by which human life is destroyed, the person or persons so offending shall be deemed guilty of manslaughter.

4th. If the keeper of any railroad switch shall place such switch in such position or leave it in such a position as to cause any accident or casualty by which human life is destroyed, he shall be deemed guilty of manslaughter; and the fact of the switch under his charge being in such condition as to cause such accident shall be *prima facie* evidence that it was in such condition by his act or neglect.

5th. If any telegraph operator in the employ of a railroad, by his acts or neglects, shall be the occasion of any accident or casualty by which human life is destroyed, he shall be deemed guilty of manslaughter.

6th. Every railroad company shall place in the hands of all its employes a printed copy of its rules and regulations for running its trains, which copy shall contain a distinct statement of the legal pains and penalties for such carelessness or neglect as shall endanger or destroy human life.

7th. None of these provisions shall be so construed as to relieve any railroad of its liabilities for civil damages in case of any one killed by any railroad accident.

It may be objected that persons who, by their neglect or carelessness, cause destruction of life, are punishable by common law, and that statute law is not necessary to secure their punishment. In the opinion of this board, the highest office of law is to prevent crime rather than to punish it. To the common mind the definite sanctions of statute law are much more real and comprehensible than the indefinite and often conflicting principles of common law. Even if punishment could certainly be secured by common law for criminal carelessness, it would not recall the extinguished life or soothe the bereaved friends. Preventive legislation, by holding up before the careless and indifferent the definite and sure punishment of their crimes, will do much to prevent such horrors, and to throw additional safeguards around the lives and persons of the traveling public.

3d. Pamphlet edition of laws in regard to the public health.

We also ask you to authorize the Secretary of State to compile and publish, in pamphlet form, all the laws now in force in this State, in regard to public health, for the information of local boards of health, and of all persons who give especial attention to the sanitary condition of our people.

(Signed, for the State Board of Health),

H. O. HITCHCOCK, *President.*

HENRY B. BAKER, *Secretary.*

Lansing, Michigan, January 28, 1875.

The communication and memorial were referred to the committee on public health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien, State of Michigan;

2. House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the navigation of Pine river, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan;

3. House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, State of Michigan;

4. House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of the harbor at Eagle Harbor, Keweenaw county, Michigan.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary would respectfully report to the House that they have appointed Charles C. Hopkins clerk of such committee, as authorized by a resolution of the House passed January 12th, 1875.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Mining Journal Company of Marquette, Michigan;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of the resolution is to authorize the Auditor General to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer for the sum of \$31 30, payable to said Mining Journal Company for publication of the statements of lands to be sold for taxes in the counties of Chippewa, Schoolcraft, and Marquette, in Oct. 1873, the affidavit of publication not having been received within the thirty days as required by law.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 68, entitled:

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was re-referred

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of "Killbuck," in Lake county, to Glencoe,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SULLIVAN ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to change the name of Philander Horr to Philander Carpenter,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

Senate manuscript joint resolution entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Detroit, Hillsdale & Indiana Railroad Company,"

Hesitate in aiding to establish a precedent which may be referred to in the future, to assist in securing exemptions from penalties incurred by railroad companies, but in this particular case, being satisfied that it will secure the pay of laborers on the road, who will otherwise go unpaid, and benefit a large number of persons living along its line without injuring or defrauding the State, after mature consideration, have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICES.

The Speaker announced the following :

STATE DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN, }
 SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 27, 1875.

Hon. D. L. Crossman, Clerk House of Representatives :

DEAR SIR :—Yours this date, with resolution relative to west door received, and construction of "weather house" ordered, as requested.

Very truly yours,

E. G. D. HOLDEN,
Chairman Board State Auditors.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the several township boards of the county of Saginaw and the controller of the City of Saginaw in said county to bid in, in behalf of their respective townships and said City of Saginaw, lands known as State tax lands, situate in said several townships and in said City of Saginaw, which have remained unsold for five years or more, and hold same for the benefit of said several townships and said City of Saginaw.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Rosecommon.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the Independent Order of Philanthropists.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to regulate the enforcement of liens for freight by railroad companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Little, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James, in the county of Saginaw, to purchase of the Swan Creek & Saginaw Bridge Company, its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Copley moved to reconsider the vote by which the House yesterday concurred in the recommendation of the committee of the whole in relation to

Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to audit and allow traveling expenses to the circuit judges.

Mr. Goodyear moved to lay the motion upon the table.

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay upon the table prevailed by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Ranney,	Mr. Towne,
Backus,	Harris,	Ransom,	Townsend,
Bailey,	Hewitt,	Reed,	Van Aken,
Benedict,	Houston,	Remer,	Van Raalte,
Briggs,	Howland,	Robinson,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hubbard,	Schattler,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Livingstone,	Smith,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Ludington,	Stephens,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Mercer,	Stowe,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Neff,	Sutton,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Norton,	Sweetland,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Packard,	Taylor,	Yeckley,
Greiner,	Preston,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Moshier,
Berk,	Gerrish,	Kilbourne,	Northrop,
Billings,	I. Green,	Klein,	Ocobock,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Knight,	Parker,
Bndlong,	Hart,	Lay,	Rich,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Lee,	Robbins,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Little,	Struble,
Cole,	Howard,	McLachlin,	Walton,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Metcalf,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Morse,	Speaker,
Curry,			

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Mr. Hulbert moved that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a message to the Senate, requesting the return of

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways ;

Which motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Dow in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1867, being section 4896 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 126, of the session laws of 1873;

2. House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section one of chapter one hundred and sixty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies of executions on real estate;

3. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

4. Senate joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution to facilitate the purchase of the unmatured bonds of the State;

5. Senate manuscript joint resolution entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Mining Journal Company of Marquette, Michigan;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

6. Senate manuscript joint resolution entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Detroit, Hillsdale & Indiana Railroad Company;

Have made an amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

PETER DOW, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three bills and the two joint resolutions first named were placed on the order of third reading.

The question being upon concurring in the amendment made by the committee of the whole to the last named joint resolution,

The same was concurred in, and the joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, January 29, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Crosby.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Ferguson, Hertzler, Mercer, Potter, and Schattler.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Schattler until to-morrow, on account of sickness.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Potter until Tuesday next.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Mercer during the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. McLachlin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hertzler during the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Morse asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from this afternoon until Tuesday.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday.

Mr. Hunt asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday, on account of sickness.

Mr. Ransom asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Stephens asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday, on account of sickness.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until to-morrow.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 225. By Mr. Packard: Petition of O. Tomlinson, A. J. Kinne and 106 others, praying for the passage of an act compelling physicians to label all medicines prescribed by them, with the English name thereof;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 226. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of John T. Emery, A. H. Olmstead and 59 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 227. By Mr. Howland: Petition of James N. Dayton, John L. Cock, H. H. VanAuken, C. Andrews, and 48 other citizens of Kalamazoo county, Michigan, praying that section 16, chapter 69, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, be amended by adding a proviso thereto, having reference to evidence;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 228. By Mr. Metcalf: Petition of W. R. Coats and 25 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 229. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Petition of W. T. Malsburg, J. S. Curtes, R. C. Hall, O. L. Blake, and 85 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 230. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Petition of S. G. Armstrong, Seth Magill, O. E. Howe, Samuel Garrell, and 100 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 231. By Mr. Ludington : Petition of James Ryan and 75 others, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 232. By Mr. E. A. Brown : Petition of John K. Finley, Wm. A. Reddick, B. F. Fish, E. Woodruff, George W. Simmons, and 68 others, praying for a change in boundaries of the city of Niles, Berrien county ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 3726 of the Compiled Laws, being section 14 of Chapter 136, relative to borrowing money by school districts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 29, 1875. }

To the Legislature :

I transmit herewith a letter from Gen. Weitzel, of the U. S. Engineer Corps, asking a conveyance from the State to the General Government of two tracts of land at the Sault Ste Marie for the use of the canal. These tracts were purchased by the Board of Control, knowing that they would be required in the construction of the new lock and entrance. The request, in my opinion, should be granted, and I respectfully ask the passage of an act enabling the Governor or Board of Control to convey these lands to the General Government for the purposes indicated.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The following is the communication :

UNITED STATES ENGINEER OFFICE,
85 WASHINGTON AVENUE,
Detroit, Mich., January 11, 1875. }

To his Excellency, John J. Bagley, Governor of Michigan, Lansing, Mich. :

SIR—I wish to contract, as soon as practicable, for the construction of a pier forming the south side of the east entrance to the St. Mary's Falls Canal. This work will cross private land claims Nos. 68 and 76 on land owned by the State of Michigan.

Before any expenditure can be made on these lands, it is believed that the titles must be vested in the United States. I would suggest that, in order the improvement may not be delayed, some action should be taken by the proper State authorities providing for such transfer of title.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

G. WEITZEL,
Major of Engineers, U. S. A.

The communication was referred to the committee on public lands.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German church of Bainbridge, in Berrien county,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out of section one all after the word "Bainbridge," in line four, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Michigan;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. West moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Harris,	Neff,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Rualte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Rich,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Knight,	Smith,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lay,		90

NAYS.

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:
Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to provide for the incorporation of associations, conventions, conferences, or religious bodies, for literary, religious, or other benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, being sections 3131, 3132, and 3133 of chapter 108 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by adding thereto two new sections, to be numbered sections 4 and 5;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

NOTICES.

Mr. Towne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize Geo. H. Abrams to construct a dam and maintain head-gates at the outlet of Wall lake, in the township of Hope, in the county of Barry, and to protect the race leading from said lake to the mill.

Mr. VanAken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill defining testimony in certain cases.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Independent Order of Philanthropists.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private incorporations.

Mr. Cole, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 50, and 59 of act number 220 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ludington," approved March 22, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies of corporate powers for certain purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Harden, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend section 3628 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 58 of chapter 158, relative to the powers of school district boards.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Howland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo, Mich.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 96 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to regulate and define the duties of judges of probate in certain cases."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Norton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14 of chapter 88 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for running, booming, and rafting of logs.'"

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on lumber and salt interests.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill relative to Union School District No. 1, of the city of Jackson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Primary Schools."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum
for lighting passenger cars.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the com-
mittee on railroads.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Detroit, Hillsdale & Indiana Railroad
Company,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect
not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Ranney,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Livingstone,	Remer,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	McLachlin,	Smith,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Morse,	Walker,
Craig,	Hunt,	Moshier,	Watkins,
Daly,	Klein,	Ocobock,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Parker,	

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Sweetland,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Neff,	Towne,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Berk,	Hale,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Billings,	Harden,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Briggs,	Harris,	Preston,	Walton,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Ransom,	West,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Budlong,	Houston,	Rich,	I. P. Wheeler,
Campbell,	Howland,	Robbins,	Whitney,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Cole,	Keyes,	Stephens,	Wilson,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Stowe,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Sutton,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Howland moved that Mr. Metcalf be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Metcalf moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to
excuse him from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Metcalf then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Briggs moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of the Mining Journal Company of Marquette, Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Harris,	Neff,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walker,
Badlong,	Holton,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Rich,	Wood,
Daly,	Klein,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Smith,	91

NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1867, being section 4896 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 126 of the Session Laws of 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,

Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker, 88

NAYS.

Mr. Goodyear,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution to facilitate the purchase of the unmatured bonds of the State.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lay,	Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Berk,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Billings,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker, 88

NAYS.

Mr. Harden,

Mr. Wiley,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section one of chapter one hundred and sixty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies of executions on real estate;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Hulbert,	Mr. Reed,
Bailey,	Dow,	Hunt,	Remer,
Berk,	Eggleston,	Keyes,	Rich,
Billings,	Garfield,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,
Bradfield,	Gerrish,	Knight,	Robinson,
Briggs,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Budlong,	Hale,	Ludington,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Churchill,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Watkins,
Cole,	Houston,	Neff,	Whitney,
Copley,	Howard,	Preston,	Wiley,
Craig,	Howland,	Ranney,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Ransom,	63

NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. West,
Benedict,	Lee,	Stowe,	A. R. Wheeler,
E. A. Brown,	Northrop,	Sutton,	I. P. Wheeler,
E. H. Green,	Norton,	Sweetland,	Wilson,
I. Green,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,	Wood,
Hart,	Packard,	Walton,	Speaker,
Klein,			25

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Klein moved that Mr. Hunt be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hunt then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Berk,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Towne,	
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,	
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,	
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,	
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,	
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,	
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,	
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,	
Cole,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Curry,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wood,	
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	Yeckley,	
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,	88
		NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Wood offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Insurance be and he is hereby requested to furnish this House—

1st—The amount of taxes collected for the year 1873 and the year 1874 (separately), of all fire insurance companies organized out of this State and doing business in this State;

2d—The amount of taxes collected for the years 1873 and 1874 (separately), of all life insurance companies organized out of this State, and doing business in this State;

3d—The expenses of his department for the years 1873 and 1874;

4th—What tax is probably necessary to defray the expenses of his department for the present year.

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 29, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for the platting and recording of highways,

In accordance with the request of the House, this day received.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hulbert moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on roads and bridges.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 29, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the trustees of Mountain Home Cemetery," approved March 28, 1849;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 29, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 2, entitled,

Joint resolution asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The House then resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hulbert offered the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a joint special committee consisting of three from the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to visit and examine the University of Michigan and the State Agricultural College, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting upon the respective facilities of each institution, to determine at which there could be established, with the greatest economy to the State and most sure prospect of success, a department for instruction in mining, mechanics and technology, the committee to report on or before the 8th of February.

Laid over one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 233. By Mr. Bradfield: Petition of Wm. Harris, M. A. Delano, B. F. Emerson, and others, asking for the organization of a county on Isle Royale, Lake Superior;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 234. By Mr. Huggett: Petition of Chas. B. Wood, John Evans, Wm. Riley, A. E. Fitzgerald, and 648 others (including 214 ladies), of Bellevue and vicinity, in the county of Eaton, praying for certain amendments to the act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage;"

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 235. By Mr. Harden: Petition of Wm. Seaver, Nelson Chambers, and 67 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 236. By Mr. Lay: Petition of Joseph Martin, D. A. Wise, Ira Davis, and 60 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 237. By Mr. Struble: Petition of John S. Gallup and 20 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 238. By Mr. Garfield: Memorial of the board of supervisors of the county of Kent.

On demand of Mr. Garfield the memorial was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, {
County of Kent. } ss.

I, Hobart H. Chipman, clerk of said county, and *ex officio* clerk of the board of supervisors thereof, do hereby certify that amongst other things the following resolutions were made and adopted, at the January session, A. D. 1875, of said board, on the 21st day of January, A. D. 1875, viz:

Resolved, By the board of supervisors of the county of Kent, That in the opinion of this board, the repeal by the present Legislature of the State of Michigan of Act No. 55, of the session laws of 1867, which said act created the office of county superintendent of common schools, would be beneficial to the interest and agreeable to the wishes of a large majority of the citizens of this county.

Resolved, That the clerk of this board forward to the Senator of this county and the Representatives, a certified copy of the resolution, asking for the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendent of common schools.

In witness whereof I have thereunto set my hand, and affixed my official seal, at the city of Grand Rapids, this 28th day of January, A. D. 1875.

HOBART H. CHIPMAN, *Clerk*.

By W. H. VAN LEEUWEN, JR., *Deputy*.

The memorial was referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 76, entitled

A bill to incorporate the Michigan Masons' Mutual Benefit Association,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, for the reason that it is of that class of special legislation prohibited by the State Constitution.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Allegan, State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations would recommend that hereafter, to the end that the State may be saved a large expense, no further joint resolutions relative to appropriations of moneys for harbors be ordered printed by the House, as they are of the opinion that our Senators and Representatives in Congress would, upon petition sent directly to them, act with fully as much promptness and dispatch upon the petitions sent as by joint resolution passed by this Legislature.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor, the following bill and joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the Harbor at Saugatuck, in the county of Allegan and State of Michigan;

2. House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor at South Haven on Lake Michigan;

3. House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit" to "Société de Secours Mutuels et de Bienfaisance Lafayette de Detroit."

G. G. B. YECKLEY, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

NOTICES.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in the county of Marquette from Champion Furnace to the village of Michigamme.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the village of Granton to Standish.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hunt moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled

"An act to provide a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called the Superior Court of Detroit," approved March 28, 1873, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29,

And place the same on the order of third reading of bills.

Which motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled "An act to provide a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called the Superior Court of Detroit," approved March 28, 1873, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Hunt moved to amend the bill by striking out, in lines 4 and 5 of section 7, the words "The first appointment under this section shall take effect on the first day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "But the first appointment under this section shall not take effect until the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-six;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stowe,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Moshier,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Northrup,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Raaile,
Buckong,	Hollon,	Oochock,	Walker,
Campbell,	Houston,	Pachard,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wiley,
Carry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker,
Garfield,			

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Mr. E. A. Brown, Mr. Whitney,

Title agreed to.

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On motion of Mr. Craig,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The House then resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Billings offered the following :

Resolved, That when this House adjourn to-day it shall be until Monday next at 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. E. H. Green demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and,

Pending the taking of the vote upon the resolution,

Mr. Daly moved to amend by making the time of adjournment 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow ;

Which amendment was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The resolution was laid on the table.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. E. A. Brown in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills :

1. House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill fixing the time of election of Recorder of the city of Detroit ;

2. House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto ;

3. House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto ;

4. House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to re-assess the expenses of constructing certain sewers in said city upon the lands, lots and premises benefited thereby ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

E. A. BROWN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the several bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Saturday, January 30, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Parsons.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Benedict, Billings, E. A. Brown, Copley, Mercer, Meyer, Neff, Townsend, and Walker.

Mr. E. H. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Walker for one hour.

Mr. Churchill asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Billings until Monday.

Mr. Watkins asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the agricultural college during the day.

Mr. Hollon asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from and after to-day until Tuesday.

Mr. Harris asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Mercer until Tuesday, on account of sickness.

Mr. Metcalf asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Stowe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Meyer until Monday afternoon.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 239. By Mr. Whitney: Petition of Herim S. Tyler and 23 others, electors of Muskegon county, praying for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of public schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 240. By Mr. Lay: Petition of Wm. M. Granger, Andrew Forster, Addison Fletcher, and 38 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 241. By Mr. Struble: Petition of Daniel M. McOmber and 14 others, asking that the Legislature now in session appropriate and set apart for public parks, the several islands situated in Magician Lake, in Cass county, and also to appoint a commissioner, without pay, to take charge of said islands;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

No. 242. By Mr. Little: Petition of Herman Pistorius, G. Backus, Henry Bernhard and 150 others of Saginaw City, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 243. By Mr. Ludington: Petition of Samuel Kinch and 24 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 244. By Mr. Ludington: Petition of Robert Mathias and 124 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elk,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to define the boundaries of the township of Ingilston, and to organize the township of Spalding in the county of Menominee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend section 3628, being section 58, of chapter 188 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers of school district boards,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend "An act for the incorporation of associations, conventions, conferences or religious bodies, for literary, religious or other benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, being sections 3131, 3132 and 3133 of chapter 108 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by adding thereto two new sections, to be numbered sections 4 and 5,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of the bill is to amend the general law so as to enable the various named bodies to provide for societies auxiliary.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of the bill is to change the name of the Pocahontas Tribes of Improved Order of Red Men to "Tribes and Councils of the Improved Order of Red Men," and is submitted at request and by the authority of the Grand Lodge of said order of the State of Michigan.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's Message as refers to railroads,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House the accompanying bills:

1. House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15 of Article IV., of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873;

2. House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to regulate the height of bridges over railroad tracks;

Recommending that the bills do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The two named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Hulbert arose to a question of privilege, in connection with an error in the Journal of yesterday, viz: the Journal, page 124, credits to Mr. Hunt the offering of concurrent resolution relative to a school of instruction in mining, mechanics, and technology; whereas it should read as follows:

Mr. Hulbert offered the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a joint special committee consisting of three from the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to visit and examine the University of Michigan and the State Agricultural College, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting upon the respective facilities of each institution, to determine at which there could be established, with the greatest economy to the State and most sure prospect of success, a department for instruction in mining, mechanics and technology, the committee to report on or before the 8th of February.

The Speaker directed the Clerk to make the necessary entry to correct the same.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Jan. 29, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Whereas, That part of the Governor's Message relating to the "Intermediate State Prison" was referred to the committee on State affairs in the Senate, and to the committee on State Prison in the House;

And Whereas, The commissioners on said Intermediate State Prison are desirous that said committees act jointly in relation thereto; therefore

Resolved, By the Senate (the House concurring), That said committees be authorized jointly to visit the locality of said Intermediate Prison, the better to be enabled to report as to the propriety of accepting and establishing said prison at the place contemplated ;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the passage of the resolution,

The same was concurred in.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,)
Lansing, January 29, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit the following bill :

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 in relation to the appointment of notaries public ;

Which the House amended as follows :

1. By inserting in recited section 108, line 2, after the word “shall,” the following : “give due notice thereof to each person so appointed.”

2. By striking out of recited section 109, line 2, the word “twenty,” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “thirty ;”

And to inform the House that the Senate has non-concurred in said amendments.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Rich moved that the House recede from its amendments.

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Ranney,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Lee,	Rich,
Daly,	Hewitt,	Little,	A. R. Wheeler,
E. H. Green,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Yeckley, 16

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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Struble,
Backus,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Berk,	I. Green,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Norton,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hart,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Parker,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Reed,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Huggett,	Robbins,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Robinson,	Wiley,

Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stowe,	Mr. Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	60
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. Little be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Little then voted as recorded above.

NOTICES.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 6, chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to co-operative associations by mechanics, laboring men, and others.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 5, entitled:

A bill fixing the time of election of Recorder of the city of Detroit,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Berk, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green, L. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Van Raalte, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	72
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Stowe,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Struble,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Harden,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Raaite,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Packard,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Rich,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Schattler,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lay,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stowe,
Berk,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Harden,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hart,	Norton,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raaite,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Wiley,

Mr. Curry,	Mr. Huggett,	Mr. Reed,	Mr. Wilson,	
Daly,	Hulbert,	Remer,	Wood,	
Dow,	Keyes,	Rich,	Yeckley,	
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Speaker,	73

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Mr. West,	Mr. Whitney,		2
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expense of constructing sewers in said city, upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Remer moved to lay the bill upon the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Goodyear offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Railroads be requested to inform this House, as soon as practicable, the number of clerks employed in his office, the salaries paid them, and the amount of traveling and other incidental expenses, if any, allowed by the Board of State Auditors for and on account of said office.

Which was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a joint special committee consisting of three from the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to visit and examine the University of Michigan and the State Agricultural College, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting upon the respective facilities of each institution, to determine at which there could be established, with the greatest economy to the State and most sure prospect of success, a department for instruction in mining, mechanics and technology, the committee to report on or before the 8th of February.

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. E. H. Green in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill :

1. Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to provide for the incorporation of associations, conventions, conferences, or religious bodies, for literary, religious, or other benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, being sections 3131, 3132, and

3133 of chapter 108 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by adding thereto two new sections, to be numbered sections 4 and 5;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate Bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to provide for the incorporation of associations, conventions, conferences, or religious bodies for literary, religious, or other benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, being sections 3131, 3132, and 3133, of chapter 108 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by adding thereto two new sections, to be numbered sections 4 and 5,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Stowe,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Struble,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Harden,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Packard,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Rich,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Ferguson,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. West,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called : quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 245. By Mr. Ferguson : Memorial of a conference of 18 Congregational churches, of the Grand Traverse region, in favor of a stringent law taxing the liquor traffic.

On demand of Mr. Ferguson the memorial was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in Legislature Assembled :

GENTLEMEN—The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the Grand Traverse Conference, comprising 18 Congregational churches, at their meeting at Traverse City, January 19, 20, and 21, 1875, viz. :

Whereas, We are apprehensive that the law, known as the prohibitory liquor law, is likely to be repealed ; therefore,

Resolved, That we desire to express our heartfelt appreciation of the thoughtful and earnest words contained in the Governor's late message to the Legislature, in behalf of the cause of temperance ; and we desire to express our earnest hope that, in case the prohibitory law is repealed, a stringent law, such as His Excellency the Governor recommends, may be enacted, regulating and taxing the sale of distilled liquors and beverages ;

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Bagley, and also a copy each to the Hon. W. H. C. Mitchell and the Hon. T. A. Ferguson, with the request that they will bring the same to the attention of the branches of the Legislature to which they respectively belong.

REV. C. N. COULTER,

Moderator of Conference.

REV. C. C. BALDWIN,

Scribe of Conference.

Traverse City, January 21, 1875.

The memorial was referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 246. By Mr. Ferguson : Memorial of the board of supervisors of Kalkaska county, remonstrating against attaching part of the territory of said county to Antrim county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 247. By Mr. Ferguson : Remonstrance of E. W. Giles and 14 others, against attaching Crawford county to Roscommon ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 248. By Mr. Ferguson : Petition of A. J. Green and 18 others, asking for the organization of the township of Springdale, in Wexford county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 249. By Mr. Garfield : Petition of Elihu Babcock, Rodney O. Sessions, and 30 others, on the subject of fishing ;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 250. By Mr. Towne : Petition of George H. Abrams, D. A. Bowker, M. Seeber and 83 others, in favor of Geo. H. Abrams' constructing a dam and maintaining a head-gate at the outlet of Wall Lake, in the township of Hope, in the county of Barry, and to protect the race leading to the said mill ;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 251. By Mr. Towne: Remonstrance of S. H. Larabie, Carl Dubois, E. E. Grilley and 21 others, against Geo. H. Abrams' constructing a dam and maintaining a head-gate at the outlet of Wall Lake, in the township of Hope, in the county of Barry;

Referred to the committee on drainage:

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State Library:

The committee on State Library, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. O. CLARK, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville, Barry county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Jackson,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and

recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges to whom was referred

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James, in the county of Saginaw, to purchase of the Swan Creek & Saginaw Bridge Company its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge;"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bill and joint resolution:

1. House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in the county of Berrien, and State of Michigan;

2. House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

G. G. B. YECKLEY, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 29, 1875, }

Hon. J. P. Hoyt, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—In response to a resolution of the House I have the honor to transmit a statement of transactions in the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal Fund from the opening of the account to September 30, 1874, as shown by the books of this office. The amounts there stated as "Gross Receipts," "Current Expenses," and "Repairs" are exclusive of disbursements by the Superintendent, which do not enter into the account on the books of this office. These amounts, together with "Gross Tonnage per Year," are stated in the annual reports of the Superintendent.

The yearly balances of cash, amounting, at the close of the last fiscal year, to \$85,615.86, are held in the State Treasury for the redemption of the outstanding Canal Bonds and for repairs of the canal.

Very respectfully,

RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The following is the statement:

The statement was referred to the committee on internal improvements.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,)
Lansing, January 30, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled "An act to provide a Municipal Court of the city of Detroit to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 18, 1872, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

By striking out in line four, of section 24 the words "twenty-five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand ;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Struble,
Backus,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Berk,	Greiner,	Norton,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hart,	Preston,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Ranney,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Remer,	L. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Rich,	Whitney,
Curry,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lay,	Schattler,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Smith,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Little,	Stowe,	Speaker, 68

NAYS.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to apportion anew Representatives in the State Legislature among the several counties and districts of this State.

Also,

A bill to organize town 22 north, of range 11 west, into a separate township, to be called Springdale.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one (1) and fourteen (14) of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Howland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section sixteen, chapter sixty-nine, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by adding a proviso thereto.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royale.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Daly in the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report.

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

JAMES DALY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Walker moved that the House do adjourn until Monday, at 2 o'clock P. M.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear.

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, February 1, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Reasoner.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Berk, Craig, Daly, Hale, Little, Ranney, Taylor, Walker, Watkins, and Wood.

Mr. Hewitt asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ranney during the forenoon.

Mr. Campbell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Berk until Thursday.

Mr. Knight asked and obtained leave of absence for all the absentees for the forenoon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 252. By Mr. Hubbard: Petition of "Young America"—the messenger boys.

On demand of Mr. Hubbard, the petition was read at length and spread at large upon the journal, as follows:

We, the messenger boys of the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives, being desirous of practising in the study of parliamentary proceedings, respectfully ask the following privilege of this honorable body:

That we may have the right on each Thursday evening to use this Representative Hall, if it shall not be otherwise disposed of by you, where we may assemble in separate or joint convention, promising to you our individual "words of honor" that we will behave in a respectful manner and withhold ourselves from being boisterous or ungentlemanly.

By the Senate and House the messengers:

A. G. Abell,
Geo. A. Morrison,
Chas. H. Wells,
Chas. M. Rice,
E. C. Williams,

Chas. A. Parker,
Thorn. Mitchell,
Eddie Van Aken,
Henry Holden,
Frank Hopkins,

Chas. K. Seymour,
John Smith,
Van W. Coryell,
Freddie Littell,
Geo. Buckland.

The petition was referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

No. 253. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of A. H. Howard and 19 other citizens of Otsego county, asking to have the county seat located at the village of Bagley;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 254. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Jay Buell and 16 others, against the organization of Otsego county, but in favor of being attached to Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 255. By Mr. Sutton: Petition of Emanuel Mann, August Hulzet, Christian Eberbach and 158 others, to pass the bill to regulate the sale of medicines and poisons, framed and recommended by the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association, deeming it a wise provision for the safety of the public that the dispensing of medicines and poisons be performed by educated and competent persons;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 256. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of T. O. Hetfield and 26 others, electors of Mendon, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 257. By Mr. Bradfield: Petition of Thos. Mason, and other land owners of Isle Royale, asking for its organization into a separate county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 258. By Mr. Churchill: Petition of Chas. Bramack, I. I. Carney, and others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 30, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In reply to a resolution of the House, adopted on the 28th inst., I have the honor to state:

1st, That the lands known as the "Dewey Asset Lands" were deeded to the State in 1871, on the adjustment of the claim of the State against E. H. Hazelton & Co., under joint resolution No. 33, 1869.

2d, The taxes were charged back for the reason that State property is not subject to taxation; see subdivision sixth, Sec. 971, C. L.

3d, Said lands are now in charge of the Board of Trustees of State Assets, under the provisions of Sec. 357, C. L.

4th, As above stated, State property is not subject to taxation.

Very respectfully,

RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The communication was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the more efficient protection of miners, laborers, and other em-

ployés working in the mines and quarries of this State from personal injuries arising from negligence of the owner or agents of such mines or quarries.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Portland, in the county of Clare, to be composed of township 20 north, range 3 and 4 west.

Also,

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins and attach the same to the township of Roscommon.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex T. 31 N., R. 29 W. and T. 41 N., R. 32 W., and T. 41 N., R. 33 W., to the county of Menominee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved Feb. 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on mines and minerals.

Mr. Howland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 98, entitled

A bill to amend section 16, chapter 19, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to evidence, by adding a proviso thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bartow, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 99, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of the Session Laws of 1855, entitled "An act to prevent the wrongful taking, detaching from the ground, or injuring any fruit tree, shade tree, ornamental shrub, plant, vine, or vegetable."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bartow, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 100, entitled

A bill to amend section 57 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being section 6026 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the trial of issues of fact.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bartow, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to amend section 41 of the Session Laws of 1869, being section 1007 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to assessment and collection of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royale.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill defining testimony in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Moshier, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to authorize the commissioners of highways to purchase the interest of plank road or toll road companies for that portion of such road situated in their respective townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Goodyear moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the amendment made by the committee on State Library to the bill.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee,

Mr. Bartow moved to lay the question on the table.

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay upon the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Benedict,	Gartfield,	Mercer,	Schattler,
Campbell,	E. H. Green,	Northrop,	Stowe,
Churchill,	I. Green,	Ocobock,	Struble,
A. K. Clark,	Hart,	Parker,	Van Raalte,

Mr. Cole, Copley, Curry,	Mr. Huggett, Hulbert, Kilbourne,	Mr. Preston, Reed, Remer,	Mr. Walton, Yeckley,	31
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, F. O. Clark, Dow, Eggleston, Gerrish,	Mr. Goodyear, Greiner, Harden, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howland, Hubbard, Keyes, Knight, Lay, Ludington,	Mr. McLachlin, Moshier, Neff, Norton, Packard, Rich, Robbins, Smith, Sutton, Sweetland,	Mr. Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,	42
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The question then being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the committee,

Mr. Towne demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to concur in the amendment did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Benedict, Churchill, F. O. Clark, Cole, Ferguson, E. H. Green,	Mr. I. Green, Hart, Hertzler, Hulbert, Kilbourne, Lee,	Mr. Mercer, Northrop, Ocobock, Parker, Preston, Rich,	Mr. Stowe, Walker, West, A. R. Wheeler, Yeckley, Speaker,	24
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, Copley, Curry, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, Greiner, Harden, Hewitt, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Keyes, Knight,	Mr. Lay, Ludington, McLachlin, Moshier, Neff, Norton, Packard, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith,	Mr. Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson,	51
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Mr. Bartow moved to lay the bill upon the table,

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey,	Mr. E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner,	Mr. Mercer, Moshier, Neff,	Mr. Struble, Sutton, Sweetland,
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Mr. Benedict, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Curry, Dow, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear,	Mr. Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Lay, Lee, Ludington, McLachlin,	Mr. Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stowe,	Mr. Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow, Churchill,	Mr. Cole, Eggleston,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Howard,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Howard moved to take from the table

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expense of constructing sewers in said city, upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby.

The question being on the passage of the bill, pending the taking of the vote thereon.

Mr. Howard moved to amend the bill by inserting the word "common" before the word "council," in line 1 of section 2;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Baily, Bartow, Benedict, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry.	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Harden, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes,	Mr. Lee, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins,	Mr. Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson,
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Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Kilbourne, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Robinson, Schattler, Smith,	Mr. Yeckley, Speaker,	
		NAYS.		75 0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No 259. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of A. L. Stebbins, John Hibbard, D. B. Harrington and 114 others, residents of the City of Port Huron, against the repeal of the act creating the board of public works for the city of Port Huron;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 260. By Mr. Armstrong: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Newaygo county for the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendents of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Mountain Home Cemetery," approved March 28, 1849,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of this bill is to amend the said act so as to allow the trustees, by a unanimous vote, to change or alter the plat of said cemetery.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, and to locate the county seat thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107 of chapter 136, Compiled Laws, 1871, entitled "Primary Schools,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The bill was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,)
INSURANCE BUREAU,)
Lansing, February 1, 1875.)

HON. JOHN P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In compliance with the House resolution of the 30th ult., I have the honor to report the amount of specific taxes collected during the years 1873 and 1874, from the life and fire insurance companies organized out of this State, and the expenses of this department for corresponding years, as follows, viz.:

FOR THE YEAR 1873.

Taxes from Life Insurance Companies.....	\$58,301 98
“ Fire “ “	54,870 91
Total taxes collected.....	\$113,172 89
Total expenses of this department.....	\$6,464 25

FOR THE YEAR 1874.

Taxes from Life Insurance Companies.....	\$66,583 09
“ Fire “ “	49,300 78
Total taxes collected.....	\$115,883 87
Total expenses of this department.....	\$7,326 25

The amounts given as collected during 1873 and 1874 are taxes upon premiums received by companies on the business of 1872 and 1873. The taxes of 1874, payable in January and February of 1875, are now being collected. The expense of this department for the present year will probably not exceed the sum stated as the expense of 1874.

Very respectfully,

SAM'L H. ROW,
Commissioner of Insurance.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 30, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend sections 338, 339, 340, and 341, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of an act entitled “An act to create a board of fund commissioners, and to define their powers and duties,” approved April 2, 1848,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to appropriate annually from the specific taxes derived from the silver,

copper, lead, and iron mines, the slate, marble, and stone quarries (all of the Upper Peninsula) and also from the tolls received by the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal, a certain portion to be expended in making more extended geological survey and exploration of that Peninsula, and to provide for competent skill to conduct the same; also amendatory of sections 6 and 9, chapter 17, Compiled Laws.

Mr. E. A. Brown gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12th, 1859, as amended by an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved April 19th, 1873.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal section 124, of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for delinquent taxes.

Mr. Keyes gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping.

Mr. Churchill gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same."

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section five of the revised charter of the village of Decatur.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Ferguson, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Ferguson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to apportion anew the Representatives in the State Legislature to the several counties and districts of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on apportionment.

Mr. Ferguson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Springdale, in the county of Wexford.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to exempt private burial grounds and places of interment for the dead, from taxation and levy on execution or attachment.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That the phrase occurring in section two, of an act to provide for paying expenses authorized to be incurred by the Legislature, page 99 of Compiled Laws of 1871, as follows: "for actual expenses incurred for travel," shall be construed to mean only expenses necessarily incurred and actually paid;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Kilbourne in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill and joint resolutions:

1. House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket in Calumet township, Houghton county;

2. House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada;

3. House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Allegan, State of Michigan,

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

4. House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 3726 of the Compiled Laws, being section 14 of chapter 136, relative to borrowing money by school districts;

5. Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the trustees of Mountain Home cemetery," approved March 28, 1849;

6. House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county ;

7. House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20, of chapter 178, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

SAMUEL L. KILBOURNE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first-named bill and the two first named joint resolutions,

The same were concurred in, and the bill and joint resolutions were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The four last named bills were also placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 2, 1875.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wood.

Roll called : quorum present.

Absent without leave : Mr. Stowe.

Mr. Wilson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stowe until tomorrow.

Mr. Bartow asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Thursday.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull indefinitely on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 261. By Mr. Hollon : Petition of A. J. Midler, S. B. Bliss and 108 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 262. By Mr. Parker : Petition of Thomas H. Nesbit, Horace Boomer, Robert P. Aitkin and 62 others, voters of the township of Flint, Genesee county, asking for the passage of an act allowing township and other elections to be held within the fourth ward of the city of Flint ;

Referred to the committee on elections.

No. 263. By Mr. Wood : Petition of Charles W. Stowell and 17 others, citizens of the city of Jackson, asking the repeal of section 9 of chapter 45 of Vol. 1, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to specific taxes on life insurance companies ;

On demand of Mr. Wood,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, citizens of the State of Michigan, would most respectfully petition your honorable body to repeal so much of Sec. 9 of Chap. 45 of Vol. 1, of the Compiled Laws of the State, as lays a specific tax upon *Insurance Premiums collected by Life Insurance Companies of other States* within this State, for the reason that this tax, intended to fall upon corporations of other States, actually falls almost entirely upon citizens of Michigan, since it is charged to the policy-holders by the companies which pay most of the tax. And, again, many of the States in the Union which lay no specific tax have reciprocal laws levying upon Michigan companies the same tax which Michigan levies upon companies organized in their States, thus burdening the companies of our own State many times as much as it does those of other States, and impairing their ability to compete for business in such States. A tax on insurance premiums is oppressive, since it does not fall on rents and profits, nor on property, but solely on that part of the savings of men which is appropriated to their protection against calamity and want. It is, therefore, a direct discouragement to prudence and forethought. In view of this consideration, the practice of taxing insurance has been abandoned in every other civilized country, and in a large number of States of this Union, while Congress expressly exempted even the return premiums of Life Companies from the dividend tax, when the National Treasury was in the deepest need. The tax of three per cent on Life Insurance Premiums is enormously in excess of other taxes on analogous subjects; or, indeed, of any other tax levied by the State. For the premium is not an item of annual expenditure, but is largely a deposit, to be accumulated, and, at death, returned. This is, therefore, a tax on the principal sum, and falls heavily on the savings of the prudent. It is taken directly from the sums which provide for the widow and orphan. We protest against an enactment so impolitic and unjust, and therefore ask the repeal of so much of the section hereinbefore referred to as imposes a tax upon the premium receipts of Life Insurance Companies. All of which is respectfully submitted.

Chas. W. Stowell, Jackson.

Millard Kinsley, “

W. A. Gregg, “

Ed. Summers, “

H. F. Hatch, “

I. T. Scott, “

J. W. Frink, “

H. H. Jacocks, “

John Beers, “

James B. Stilson, Jackson.

John Gardner, “

Wm. Hankird, “

John Murray, “

E. M. Warren, “

Joseph Mabley, “

I. B. Alexander, “

G. D. Bates, “

A. Carrett, “

The petition was referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 264. By Mr. Wood: Petition of A. O. Learthley and 13 other citizens of Jackson county on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 265. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of George Keagle, Lorenzo Mudge, S. F. McCormick and 210 other citizens and tax-payers of the county of Barry asking an appropriation to lower Thornapple Lake, in said county;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 266. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Wm. Rily and 23 others, being all the mechanics in the township of Bellevue, Eaton county, praying for the establishment of industrial schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 267. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of W. G. Smith and 172 other citizens of Calumet, Houghton county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 268. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Philip Shaw and 33 other mechanics of Detroit, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 269. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Samuel W. Pratt and 48 other citizens of St. Joseph county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 270. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Lewis T. Hitchcock and 112 others, citizens of Lansing, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 271. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Samuel R. Rockwell and 109 others, citizens of Constantine, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 272. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of W. R. Curly, and 116 others, of Marquette county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 273. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of W. W. Hildreth and 14 others, citizens of Lansing, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 274. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of E. S. Ingalls and 36 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 275. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of John Q. McKernan and 106 others, of L'Anse, Houghton county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 276. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Charles Brockway, John W. Gustin, James Harris, and 34 others, citizens of St. Clair county, asking for the repeal of "An act to enable the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road Company to receive and charge additional tolls for travel on said road," approved April 2, 1869;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 277. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Nicolaus Togeleo, Noah Bicher, Philip Lucegood, and 27 other citizens of St. Clair county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 278. By Mr. Potter: Petition of Victor Burke and 40 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 279. By Mr. Potter: Petition of Pitt J. Pierce & Son and 32 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 280. By Mr. Potter: Petition of Wm. Freund and 21 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 281. By Mr. Hale: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Eaton

county, asking for the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendent ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 282. By Mr. Packard : Petition of Ortho Moe, Isaac D. Toll, and 133 others, praying for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendents of schools and the substitution of more effective legislation ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 283. By Mr. Livingstone : Petition of Thomas Hannet and 33 others, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 284. By Mr. Livingstone : Petition of S. Sanford and 39 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend sections 338, 339, 340, and 341 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of an act entitled "An act to create a Board of Fund Commissioners, and to define their powers and duties," approved April 2, 1848,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to amend section 41 of the Session Laws of 1869, being section 1007 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to assessment and collection of taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

This bill proposes to add one per cent to fees of the township treasurer, for collecting taxes.

Your committee are of the opinion that the percentage allowed by the present law is sufficient for the services rendered.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Paw Paw, in

Van Buren county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against said township, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on ways and means, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill for the protection of the rights of laborers and mechanics,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in Keweenaw county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on lumber and salt interests:

The committee on lumber and salt interests, to whom was referred House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section fourteen of an act entitled "An act to amend sections two and fourteen of chapter eighty-eight of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

AMOS R. WHEELER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 83, entitled,

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies of corporate powers for certain purposes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and

recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. M. GARFIELD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 1st, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In response to a resolution of the House, adopted January 18, there is transmitted herewith a detailed statement, showing by companies, “the annual amount of specific taxes that have been derived from the production of copper and iron from the Upper Peninsula of the State; also, the yearly number of tons of copper and of iron produced,” as shown by the books of this office and the reports of the several companies on file.

No specific taxes were paid into the State Treasury in 1848 by mining companies of the Upper Peninsula.

Under Act No. 177, laws of 1863, “all specific taxes provided by law to be paid to the State by mining, manufacturing, smelting, and other companies liable to pay such taxes, of the Upper Peninsula,” were “remitted to the counties in which said companies are located, for a period of five years from and after the passage” of said act, and the taxes so “remitted,” were, by the same act, made payable to the treasurers of the proper counties.

Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The communication was laid on the table.
The following is the statement:

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1849.		1850.	
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tons.	Lbs.
Copper Falls.....				
Douglass Houghton.....				
Isle Royale.....				
Minnesota.....				
North American.....				
Northwestern of Detroit.....				
Northwest of Michigan.....				
Ohio Trap Rock.....				
Ontonagon.....				
Phoenix.....				
Pittsburgh and Boston.....				
Pittsburgh and Isle Royale.....				
Quincy.....				
Wiskowit.....				
Totals.....				

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1851.		1852.	
	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure.....	a \$46 89	.....	a \$201 44
Albion.....	a 82 88	.....	a 41 61
Algolah.....
Algonquin.....	a 165 25	.....	a 18 91
Astec.....	a 215 05
Bohemian.....	a 174 97
Cape.....	a 231 97
Chesapeake.....	a 120 00	.....	a 140 83
Copper Falls.....	a 80 84	.....	a 40 00
Eureka.....	a 50 23
Farm.....	b 107 84
Forest.....	b 50 00	.....	a 231 06
Iron City.....	a 85 83	.....	a 219 08
Isle Royale.....	a 190 15	.....	a 840 83
Minnesota.....	a 488 01	.....	a 40 00
Native Copper.....	a 714 10
North American.....	a 526 28	.....	a 162 68
Northwestern of Detroit.....	a 94 80	.....	a 311 54
Northwest of Michigan.....	a 207 84	.....	a 849 23
Ohio Trap Rock.....	a 246 67	.....	.....
Ontonagon.....	a 177 00	.....	a 50 00
Peninsula.....	a 72 70
Phoenix.....	a 50 86	.....	.....
Piscataqua.....	b 60 00	.....	a 1,109 05
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	a 1,109 05	.....	.....
Pittsburgh and Isle Royale.....	a 194 57	.....	a 78 00
Quincy.....	a 66 14	.....	a 246 87
Ridge.....	a 123 00	.....	a 318 10
Siskowit.....	a 126 88	.....	a 43 87
Toltec.....	(For 1851.)	.....
Totals.....	\$4,268 94	.....	\$5,988 94

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1853.		1854.	
	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure	-----	a \$452 28	-----	a \$661 05
Alblon	(For 1852-3.)	a 880 75	-----	a 204 85
Algonquin	-----	-----	-----	a 280 50
Aztec	-----	a 180 75	-----	a 216 85
Bohemian	-----	a 317 72	-----	-----
Cape	-----	a 229 00	-----	-----
Chesapeake	-----	a 242 00	-----	-----
Copper Falls	-----	a 462 04	-----	a 776 39
Dana	5	c 5 00	-----	-----
Douglass Houghton	-----	a 214 58	-----	-----
Eagle Harbor	-----	a 71 82	-----	-----
Eureka	-----	a 64 78	-----	a 95 41
Farm	-----	a 125 00	-----	-----
Flint Steel River	-----	a 15 00	8	c 3 00
Forest	-----	a 494 79	-----	b 542 29
Iron City	-----	a 369 16	-----	a 497 74
Isle Royale	-----	a 279 07	-----	-----
Minnesota	-----	a 1,094 15	-----	a 670 88
Native Copper	-----	a 60 00	-----	a 110 00
New York and Michigan	-----	a 222 55	-----	-----
North American	-----	a 1,493 85	-----	a 1,809 29
Northwestern of Detroit	-----	a 404 67	-----	a 965 88
Northwest of Michigan	-----	a 606 98	-----	a 906 96
Ohio Trap Rock	-----	a 573 56	-----	a 984 85
Peninsula	-----	a 292 90	-----	a 311 80
Phoenix	-----	a 214 85	-----	a 527 64
Piscataqua	-----	b 60 00	-----	-----
Pittsburgh and Boston	-----	a 1,109 05	-----	a 1,224 87
Pittsburgh and Isle Royale	-----	a 474 67	-----	-----
Quincy	-----	a 280 00	-----	-----
Kidge	-----	a 448 86	-----	a 640 14
Rockland	-----	-----	10	c 10 00
Siskowit	-----	a 464 95	-----	-----
Swamscott	-----	b 50 00	-----	b 50 00
Toltec (Taxes of 1852 and 1853)	10	{ a 125 00 } c 10 00	-----	-----
Totals	15	\$11,760 18	13	\$11,581 04

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1855.		Tax.	1856.		Tax.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.	
Adventure.....	-----	----	a \$775 25	81	17	c \$31 01
Bohemian.....	-----	----	-----	-----	----	a 452 92
Central.....	-----	----	-----	42	1204	c 42 60
Copper Falls.....	54	734	{ d 45 64 {	104	----	{ f 1,280 75 {
Eagle Harbor.....	For 1854 & '55	-----	c 54 86 {	-----	----	{ c 104 00 }
Flint Steel River.....	1	651	a 161 64	-----	----	a 95 82
Gogebic.....	-----	----	c 1 88	2	----	c 2 00
Huron.....	8	----	-----	1	----	c 1 00
Isle Royale.....	98	----	c 8 00	12	----	c 12 00
Minnesota.....	-----	----	e { a 689 07 {	232	1184	c 232 56
National.....	-----	----	c 98 00 }	1,745	714	c 1,745 86
Native Copper.....	1	----	a 670 83	52	608	c 52 00
Nebraska.....	-----	----	a 896 58	-----	----	-----
New York, Pittsburgh and Isle Royale.....	1	1520	c 1 00	20	----	c 20 00
North American.....	-----	----	c 1 76	-----	----	-----
Northwestern of Detroit.....	-----	----	a 1,899 29	158	1822	c 158 91
Northwest of Michigan.....	-----	----	a 1,281 84	77	900	c 77 45
Norwich.....	-----	----	-----	-----	----	a 1,105 70
Ontonagon.....	-----	----	-----	109	----	c 108 00
Pewabic.....	-----	----	-----	-----	----	a 329 48
Piscataqua.....	-----	----	-----	19	894	c 19 85
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	-----	----	-----	-----	----	d 69 00
Portage.....	-----	----	a 1,426 27	-----	----	a 1,868 69
Ridge (taxes of 1855-6).....	-----	----	-----	19	1788	c 19 87
Rockland.....	58	----	-----	85	681	{ a 1,054 00 {
Star.....	-----	1000	c 58 00	-----	----	{ c 85 84 }
Swamscott.....	-----	----	c 50	-----	----	c 146 50
Toltec.....	80	----	d 50 00	-----	----	d 50 00
Windsor.....	84	----	c 80 00	-----	----	-----
-----	-----	----	c 84 00	-----	----	-----
Totals.....	276	1905	\$7,628 86	2,908	212	\$8,569 81

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1857.		1858.	
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tons.	Lbs.
Adventure	71	1886	c	\$71 67
Astec (taxes of 1855-'57).....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central	82	908	c	82 45
Copper Falls (for 1857 and 8).....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eagle Harbor.....	.....	.....	a	100 82
Eagle River (for 1854-'57).....	8	600	c	8 80
Evergreen Bluff.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Huron	85	.....	c	85 00
Isle Royale.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mars (for 1857 and 8).....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Merchants	2	680	c	2 84
Minnesota.....	1,976	.....	c	1,976 00
National	24	1802	c	24 65
Nebraska	9	1280	c	9 64
North American.....	204	252	c	204 18
Northwestern of Detroit.....	40	880	c	40 42
Northwest of Mich. (for 1857 and 8).....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Norwich	110	.....	g	101 00
Ohio .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ohio Trap Rock.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pewabic .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phoenix (taxes of 1854-'57).....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	.....	.....	a	1,109 05
Portage	60	.....	c	60 00
Ridge	86	1874	c	86 94
Rockland	878	896	c	878 20
Summit (for 1856 and 7).....	10	.....	c	10 00
Superior .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Swamscott.....	.....	.....	b	50 00
Totals.....	2,994	1458		\$4,245 11
			2,498	589
				\$5,888 72

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1851.		1852.	
	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure.....	-----	a \$46 89	-----	a \$201 44
Albion.....	-----	a 82 88	-----	a 41 61
Algoma.....	-----	-----	-----	a 18 91
Algonquin.....	-----	a 165 25	-----	a 215 05
Aztec.....	-----	-----	-----	a 174 97
Bohemian.....	-----	-----	-----	a 221 97
Cape.....	-----	a 180 00	-----	a 146 88
Chesapeake.....	-----	a 80 84	-----	a 40 00
Copper Falls.....	-----	-----	-----	a 50 23
Eureka.....	-----	-----	-----	b 107 84
Farm.....	-----	b 50 00	-----	a 291 06
Forest.....	-----	a 85 88	-----	a 219 08
Iron City.....	-----	a 190 15	-----	a 840 82
Isle Royale.....	-----	a 488 01	-----	a 40 00
Minnesota.....	-----	-----	-----	a 714 10
Native Copper.....	-----	a 526 28	-----	a 162 08
North American.....	-----	a 94 80	-----	a 811 54
Northwestern of Detroit.....	-----	a 207 84	-----	a 849 23
Northwest of Michigan.....	-----	a 246 67	-----	a 50 00
Ohio Trap Rock.....	-----	a 177 00	-----	a 72 70
Ontonagon.....	-----	-----	-----	a 1,109 05
Peninsula.....	-----	-----	-----	a 194 57
Phoenix.....	-----	a 59 86	-----	a 66 14
Piscataqua.....	-----	b 69 00	-----	a 128 00
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	-----	a 1,109 05	-----	a 126 88
Pittsburgh and Isle Royale.....	-----	a 194 57	-----	(For 1851.) a 48 87
Quincy.....	-----	a 66 14	-----	a 78 00
Ridge.....	-----	a 128 00	-----	a 246 87
Siskowit.....	-----	a 126 88	-----	a 818 10
Toltec.....	-----	-----	-----	a 48 87
Totals.....	-----	\$4,268 94	-----	\$5,988 98

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1853.		1854.	
	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure		a \$492 28		a \$661 05
Albion	(For 1852-3.)	a 880 75		a 204 25
Algonquin				a 800 50
Astec		a 180 75		a 218 85
Bohemian		a 817 72		
Cape		a 229 00		
Chesapeake		a 242 00		
Copper Falls		a 462 04		a 776 39
Dana	5	c 5 00		
Douglass Houghton		a 214 58		
Eagle Harbor		a 71 82		
Eureka		a 64 78		a 95 41
Farm		a 125 00		
Flint Steel River		a 15 00	8	c 3 00
Forest		a 494 79		b 542 79
Iron City		a 863 16		a 497 74
Isle Royale		a 279 07		
Minnesota		a 1,094 15		a 670 88
Native Copper		a 60 00		a 110 00
New York and Michigan		a 222 55		
North American		a 1,498 85		a 1,899 29
Northwestern of Detroit		a 404 67		a 955 88
Northwest of Michigan		a 606 98		a 906 96
Ohio Trap Rock		a 573 56		a 984 35
Peninsula		a 292 90		a 311 80
Phoenix		a 214 85		a 527 64
Piscataqua		b 60 00		
Pittsburgh and Boston		a 1,119 05		a 1,234 87
Pittsburgh and Isle Royale		a 474 67		
Quincy		a 280 00		
Ridge		a 448 86		a 640 14
Rockland			10	c 10 00
Siskowit		a 464 93		
Swamscott		b 50 00		b 50 00
Toltec (Taxes of 1832 and 1858)	10	{ a 125 00 } c 10 00 }		
Totals	15	\$11,760 18	13	\$11,581 04

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1855.		Tax.	1856.		Tax.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.	
Adventure.....	-----	----	a \$775 25	81	17	c \$31 01
Bohemian.....	-----	----	-----	42	1204	a 452 92
Central.....	-----	----	-----	-----	-----	c 42 60
Copper Falls.....	54	734	{ a 45 64 {	104	-----	{ f 1,280 75 {
Eagle Harbor.....	For 1854 & '55	-----	a 161 64	-----	-----	{ c 104 00 }
Flint Steel River.....	1	651	c 1 88	2	-----	a 95 82
Gogebic.....	-----	----	-----	1	-----	c 2 00
Huron.....	8	-----	c 8 00	12	-----	c 1 00
Isle Royale.....	93	-----	e { a 689 07 {	232	1184	c 12 00
Minnesota.....	-----	----	c 93 00 }	-----	-----	c 232 56
National.....	-----	----	a 670 83	1,745	714	c 1,745 86
Native Copper.....	1	-----	a 896 58	52	608	c 52 00
Nebraska.....	-----	----	c 1 00	-----	-----	-----
New York, Pittsburgh and Isle Royale.....	1	1520	c 1 76	20	-----	c 20 00
North American.....	-----	----	a 1,899 29	-----	-----	-----
Northwestern of Detroit.....	-----	----	a 1,281 84	158	1822	c 158 91
Northwest of Michigan.....	-----	----	-----	77	900	c 77 45
Norwich.....	-----	----	-----	-----	-----	a 1,105 70
Ontonagon.....	-----	----	-----	109	-----	c 108 00
Pewabic.....	-----	----	-----	-----	-----	a 889 48
Piscataqua.....	-----	----	-----	19	894	c 19 85
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	-----	----	a 1,426 27	-----	-----	b 69 00
Portage.....	-----	----	-----	19	1788	a 1,368 69
Ridge (taxes of 1855-6).....	-----	----	-----	85	681	c 19 87
Rockland.....	58	-----	c 58 00	-----	-----	{ a 1,054 00 {
Star.....	-----	1000	c 50	146	1000	{ c 85 84 }
Swamscott.....	-----	----	b 50 00	-----	-----	c 146 50
Toltec.....	80	-----	c 80 00	-----	-----	b 50 00
Windsor.....	84	-----	c 84 00	-----	-----	-----
Totals.....	276	1905	\$7,623 86	2,808	212	\$8,560 81

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1857.		1858.	
	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.	Tons. Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure	71 1886	c \$71 67	116 1941	c \$116 97
Astec (taxes of 1855-'57).....	-----	-----	40 500	a 275 00 {
Central	82 908	c 82 45	71 1011	c 40 26 }
Copper Falls (for 1857 and 8)	-----	-----	805 1157	c 71 50
Eagle Harbor.....	-----	a 100 82	-----	c 805 57
Eagle River (for 1854-'57).....	8 600	c 8 80	-----	a 119 76
Evergreen Bluff.....	-----	-----	44 748	c 44 88
Huron	85 -----	c 85 00	24 -----	c 24 00
Isle Royale.....	-----	-----	210 117	c 210 06
Mars (for 1857 and 8).....	-----	-----	14 228	c 14 11
Merchants	2 680	c 2 84	-----	-----
Minnesota	1,976 -----	c 1,976 00	1,901 914	c 1,901 46
National	24 1802	c 24 65	88 483	c 88 24
Nebraska	9 1280	c 9 64	-----	-----
North American.....	204 252	c 204 18	-----	-----
Northwestern of Detroit.....	40 880	c 40 42	2 1918	c 2 96
Northwest of Mich. (for 1857 and 8).....	-----	-----	129 1972	c 129 93
Norwich	110 -----	g 101 00	58 -----	f 9 00 {
Ohio	-----	-----	-----	c 58 00 }
Ohio Trap Rock.....	-----	-----	705 -----	c 85
Pewabic	-----	-----	19 655	c 19 84
Phoenix (taxes of 1854-'57).....	-----	-----	96 1598	c 96 60
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	-----	a 1,109 05	28 -----	a 627 64 {
Portage	60 -----	c 60 00	-----	c 28 00 }
Ridge	86 1874	c 86 94	29 792	c 29 40
Rockland	878 896	c 878 20	811 1140	c 811 57
Summit (for 1856 and 7).....	10 -----	c 10 00	-----	-----
Superior	-----	-----	685 -----	c 82
Swanescott.....	-----	b 50 00	-----	b 50 00
Totals.....	2,994 1458	\$4,245 11	8,498 589	\$5,888 72

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1859.		Tax.	1860.		Tax.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.	
Adventure.....	57	1678	c \$57 84	99	481	c \$99 21
Aztec.....	3	251	c 3 18	9	498	c 9 56
Bohemian.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	c 1 26
Central.....	84	812	c 84 16	125	1870	c 125 08
Copper Falls.....	178	174	c 178 09	235	818	c 235 46
Eagle Harbor.....	.....	.....	a 185 82	.....	.....	.....
Eagle River.....	9	687	c 9 82	4	1651	c 4 82
Evergreen Bluff (for 1859 and '60).....	.....	.....	.....	86	1487	c 86 72
Filt Steel River.....	1	58	c 1 05	.....	.....	.....
Franklin.....	A 59	1808	A 59 90	117	211	c 117 10
Garden City.....	3	.....	c 3 00	.....	.....	.....
Huron.....	22	1867	c 22 69	4	1000	c 4 50
Isle Royale.....	866	966	c 866 41	.....	.....	.....
Masa.....	26	682	c 26 84	26	682	c 26 84
Minesota.....	1,672	687	c 1,672 80	1,840	500	c 1,840 25
National.....	158	927	c 158 50	182	604	c 182 40
Native Copper.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	a 250 09
North American.....	187	1938	c 187 98	19	919	c 19 46
North Cliff.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	b 163 24
Northwestern of Detroit.....	.....	.....	.....	2	918	c 2 46
Northwest of Michigan.....	53	10	c 53 05	74	444	c 74 22
Norwich.....	19	1000	c 19 50	.....	.....	.....
Pewabic.....	826	857	c 826 42	515	.....	c 515 00
Phoenix.....	28	590	c 28 29	20	62	c 20 08
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	.....	.....	a 1,179 05	.....	.....	a 1,209 05
Ridge.....	89	692	c 89 85	.....	.....	.....
Rockland.....	239	1192	c 239 60	844	1000	c 844 50
Star.....	6	185	c 6 94	.....	.....	.....
Superior.....	.....	1740	c 87	5	.....	c 5 00
Swamcott.....	.....	.....	b 50 00	.....	.....	.....
Toltec.....	116	1623	c 116 81	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	8,655	904	\$5,019 91	8,184	735	\$4,758 64

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1861.		Tax.	1862.		Tax.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.	
Adventure.....	21	749	c \$21 87	3	676	c \$3 28
Albany and Boston.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1982	c 4 00
Aztec.....	8	208	c 8 10	.....	.....	.....
Carp Lake.....	8	428	c 8 22	.....	.....	.....
Central.....	70	189	c 70 07	183	1962	c 183 96
Copper Falls.....	280	.....	c 280 00	229	299	c 229 15
Eagle River.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1672	c 2 62
Evergreen Bluff.....	83	1906	c 83 96	39	479	c 39 24
Franklin.....	157	1609	c 157 90	707	949	c 707 47
Garden City.....	7	.....	c 7 00	.....	.....	.....
Hancock.....	17	.....	c 17 00	42	1825	c 42 06
Huron.....	49	.....	c 49 00	69	1805	c 69 05
Isle Royale.....	626	1472	c 626 00	446	189	c 446 12
Minesota.....	1,503	824	c 1,503 41	1,260	.....	c 1,260 00
National.....	244	176	c 244 06	539	603	c 539 20
North American.....	11	652	c 11 44	.....	.....	.....
North Cliff.....	.....	.....	b 233 39	.....	.....	b 260 78
Northwestern of Detroit.....	2	1913	c 2 96	2	1913	c 2 96
Northwest of Michigan.....	121	97	c 121 05	54	1919	c 54 96
Petherick.....	.....	.....	.....	15	1840	c 15 98
Pewabic.....	953	1420	c 953 71	920	1612	c 920 89
Phoenix.....	.....	.....	.....	66	880	c 66 19
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	.....	.....	a 1,109 05	.....	.....	a 1,109 05
Quincy.....	970	414	c 970 21	1282	852	c 1,282 43
Rockland.....	888	853	c 888 15	262	.....	c 262 00
Superior.....	25	1000	c 25 50	85	.....	c 85 00
Totals.....	5,504	1760	\$6,847 19	6,183	1892	\$7,508 09

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1863.		Tax.	1864.		Tax.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.	
Adventure	11	80				
Amygdaloid	48	1591	c \$48 80	69	124	
Bohemian	16	508		11	69	
Caledonia				3	1780	
Carp Lake		976		5	546	
Central	278	1548	d 209 08	851	1855	
Copper Falls	159	1848		179	808	
Evergreen Bluff	59	1257				
Franklin	730	1000		637	1897	
Garden City	18		c 16 00	5		
Grand Portage				177	1798	
Hancock	55	1482		51	1000	
Huron	60	206		50	1745	
Ile Royale	860	1841				
Knowlton				53	1890	
Mase				4	1452	
Mearns	21	1129		2		
Minnesota	898	1500		460		
National	691	1761		432	1752	
Northwestern of Detroit	2	1918		2	1920	
Norwich				4	1727	
Ogima	26	1529		25		
Petherick	66	1183		25	1228	
Pewabic	750	1260		822		
Phoenix	72	118		142	187	
Pontiac					1000	
Quincy	1,158	218		1,115	1787	
Rockland	172			124	624	
St. Clair				4	815	
St. Mary's				1	1830	
Superior	88	500		18	455	
Victoria	8	1489				
Totals	5,642	450	\$275 83	4,784	1684	

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1865.			1866.		
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax.	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure		1755		8	1491	
Ætna	8	857		2	181	
Albany and Boston	8	1000		159	160	
Amygdaloid	67	1795		209	964	
Arcadian	2	598		2	1816	
Aztec	4	700		16		
Bay State	87	1000		105		
Bohemian	81	1502		84	1828	
Caledonia	15	1977				
Carp Lake	6	1185				
Central	546	1700		574	1842	
Copper Falls	285					
Delaware	29	700		51	492	
Devon		1524				
Evergreen Bluff				187	1218	
Flint Steel River				108	959	
Franklin	617	1290				
Garden City				5	1897	
Grand Portage				486	696	
Great Western	2	891				
Hancock	87	1000				
Hilton	5	1179		8	411	
Huron	238	11				
Indiana	5	1984		2	1700	
Isle Royale				394	485	
Knowlton				98	724	
Lake Superior	1	482			1951	
Madison				7	681	
Manhattan	1	483				
Mass	5	811		1	625	
Masnard	7	1599				
Minnesota	263			201	1000	
National	290	1179		344	516	
Northwestern of Detroit	8	650				
Norwich	26	1326				
Ogima	70	996		188	1809	
Pennsylvania	81	1967		182	1857	
Petherick	4	1169				
Pewabic	781	899		865	1418	
Phoenix	165			101		
Quincy	1,251	586		928	1500	
Ridge	8	917		85	483	
Rockland	186	1000		108	1500	
South Pewabic				6	1475	
Star		1761				
St. Clair				31	200	
Superior	83	833		44	500	
Toltec				6	668	
Victoria		581				
Vulcan					618	
Totals	5,015	1752		5,496	290	

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1867.		1863.	
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tons.	Lbs.
Adventure.....	2	439		
Aina.....	29	996	81	856
Albany and Boston.....	51	1906	81	494
Amygdaloid.....	170	669	80	1875
Aztec.....	40			
Bay State.....	110	1000		
Caledonia.....			18	243
Calumet.....	897	258	542	1098
Central.....	687	795	668	967
Concord.....	4	1980		
Copper Falls.....	568	1169		
Devon.....		122		
Douglas.....			87	1000
Eagle River.....		788	4	869
Flint Steel River.....	50	1000		
Franklin.....	819	944	701	455
Hancock.....	298	717		
Hecla.....	278	915	242	1600
Hilton.....	2	1767		
Huron.....	688	1169		
Madison.....	17			
Mass.....	5	112		
Mernard.....			2	1510
Minnesota.....	195	1500	168	500
National.....	848	162		
Ogima.....	84	478		
Pennsylvania.....	64	91		
Pewabic.....	678	140	880	208
Phoenix.....	98			
Quincy.....	72	1000	1,018	1000
Resolute.....		1684		
Ridge.....	71	411	94	1537
Rockland.....	60			
Sheldon and Columbia.....			155	500
South Pewabic.....		1760	846	940
St. Clair.....	48	1728		
Superior.....	88			
Victoria.....	4	860		
Totals.....	5,996	160	4,964	678

\$3,735 11

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1869.		1870.	
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tons.	Lbs.
Adventure	1	1889	1154	1
Ætna.....	117	586	1	90 48
Albany and Boston.....	61	694	1	12 38
Amygdaloid	86	---	52	1858
Astec	569	697	747	1,879 08
Caledonia	635	860	908	1801
Calumet.....	26	20	1	29 69
Central.....	1,843	866	1	1,879 08
Concord.....	1828	---	1	677 92
Copper Falls.....	784	1826	1	250 27
Devon	507	---	779	970
Franklin.....	1,194	980	86	814
Grand Portage.....	740	80	1	564 61
Hancock	507	---	1	27 12
Hecia	1,194	980	1	2,739 38
Haron	740	80	841	868
Lake Superior.....	5	40	1	18
Mase.....	115	900	9	939
Minnesota.....	---	---	118	1500
National	---	---	645	298
North Cliff.....	99	1862	1	76
Ogima	521	1528	1	7 19
Pewabic	130	---	1	85 31
Phoenix	(For 1868 & 9.)	---	1	496 01
Pittsburgh and Boston.....	---	---	1	1,025 06
Quincy.....	727	1000	1	74 76
Ridge	86	---	1	891 31
Rockland	84	900	1	97 50
South Pewabic.....	417	1818	1	2,218 10
Superior	46	400	1	545 62
Union.....	1	827	1	64 50
Victoria	4	1528	1	68 84
Totals.....	8,282	367	18,000	1929
				\$3,514 22

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1871.			1872.		
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax.	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax.
Adventure.....	1	981	\$ 1 10	8	891	\$ 2 82
Amygdaleid.....	28	1610	\$ 17 85			
Bohemian.....				9	1482	\$ 7 81
Caledonia.....	48	1508	\$ 82 81	1	1877	\$ 1 26
Calumet.....	2,614	1887	\$ 1,961 18			
Calumet and Hecla.....				8,111	590	\$ 6,069 47
Central.....	668	1156	\$ 497 69	716	662	\$ 587 25
Copper Falls (for 1871-2).....				625	1878	\$ 469 45
White Steel River.....	15	889	\$ 11 58	46	500	\$ 24 60
Franklin.....	589		\$ 441 75	800	1000	
Hecla.....	4,415	1697	\$ 8,811 89			
Mass.....	8	621	\$ 2 49			
Minnesota.....	200	1500	\$ 150 56	184		\$ 188 00
National (for 1870-71).....	440	479	\$ 380 18			
North Cliff.....	8	1565	\$ 8 78			
Pewabic.....	278		\$ 204 75	222	600	
Petherick (for 1868).....	6		\$ 4 50			
Phoenix.....				609	1862	\$ 457 45
Pittsburgh and Boston (For 1870-1).....	994	1188	\$ 808 40			
Quincy.....	1,248	1777	\$ 986 67	1,204	1501	\$ 908 57
Ridge.....	122	1408	\$ 92 08	175	150	\$ 181 20
Robbland.....	47	1000	\$ 85 62	80		\$ 22 50
Victoria.....				1	1570	\$ 1 84
Totals.....	11,708	1161	\$3,929 80	12,242	1658	\$3,789 96

COPPER.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1873.		Tax.	1874.		Tax.	Unpaid Sept. 30, 1874.
	Tons.	Lbs.		Tons.	Lbs.		
Adventure.....	8	1055	i \$6 89	2	1345	i \$2 00	
Atlantic.....				431	1866	i 823 76	
Astec (for 1869).....							\$27 00
Bay State (for 1868).....				57	115	i 42 79	
Bohemian (for 1873-4).....				82	1945	i 62 23	
Calumet and Hecla.....	8,081	1886	i 6,061 44	9,424	265	i 7,068 10	
Central.....	628	56	i 467 27	751	1117	i 568 67	
Cliff.....	120		i 90 00	160		i 120 00	
Copper Falls (for 1873).....				260	862	i 195 82	
Eagle River (for 1868).....							8 14
Flint Steel River (for 1873).....				22	1579	i 17 20	
Franklin.....	196					For 1872-4.	502 13
Grand Portage (for 1869).....				79	1280	i 59 72	
Huron (for 1870).....							681 07
Mass.....	h 10	505	h 7 69	4	265	i 3 10	
Minnesota.....	126		i 94 50	74		i 55 50	
National.....	h 873	1857	h 280 45			For 1874.	i 62 25
Pennsylvania (for 1868).....				163	662	i 122 50	
Petherick (for 1872-4).....				11	1848	i 8 93	
Pewabic.....	253	1000				For 1872-4.	556 50
Phoenix.....	k 868	1857	k 647 84	260	1081	i 195 41	
Quincy.....	1,184	1184	i 850 92	1,400	5	i 1,050 00	
Ridge.....	123	1911	i 96 72	115	1145	i 86 67	
Rockland (for 1873).....				25	1000	i 19 13	m 8 78
South Pewabic (for 1870).....							617 57
St. Clair (for 1868-9 and '73).....				97	984	i 73 09	m 30 70
Sumner.....				44	1182	i 83 42	
Union (for 1869).....							67
Victoria.....		1892	i 71				
Totals.....	11,891	808	\$3,603 93	13,470	246	\$10,102 54	\$2,440 71

a One per cent on capital paid in and on loans.

b One-half per cent on capital paid in and on loans.

c \$1 per ton of product.

d Part payment of one per cent on capital paid in.

e Taxes of 1854-5.

f Balance of tax of preceding year.

g Part payment of \$1 per ton of product.

h Includes amount for preceding year.

i 75c per ton of product.

j Taxes of 1868-9, @ 75c per ton of product.

k For 1871 and 1873.

l Paid since Sept. 30, 1874.

m For 1874.

IRON.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1853.		1856.	
	Tons.	Tax.	Tons.	Tax.
Cleveland		a \$31 25	206½	b \$30 65
		1857.		
Branch County	50	b \$5 00	207½	b \$20 75
Cleveland	8,400	b 840 00		
Eureka		For 1857.		
Forest		a 57 68		
Pioneer			For 1857 & '58	a 687 75
Totals	8,450	\$462 68	207½	\$703 50
		1859.		
Eureka (for 1858 and '59)	207½	c \$88 00		a \$625 00
Pioneer				
Totals	207½	\$88 00		\$625 00
		1867.		
Iron Mountain	1,884	d \$20 76	10747	d \$161 21
Pittsburgh and Lake Angeline	2,056	d 20 84	86295	d 1,294 48
Totals	3,440	\$51 60	97042	\$1,455 64
		1871.		
Champion			For 1869 to '71	f \$1,488 12
Cleveland			For 1868 to '71	f 7,766 64
Iron Cliffs			For 1869 to '71	f 2,570 50
Lake Superior			For 1868 to '71	f 7,854 08
Magnetic	500	e \$5 00	For 1868 to '71	f 885 00
Marquette			For 1868 to '71	f 8,772 12
New York			For 1871.	f 52 50
S. C. Smith			For 1868 to '71	f 2,991 32
Washington			For 1871.	f 75 00
Winthrop				
Totals	500	\$5 00		\$26,900 37

IRON.

NAME OF COMPANY.	1873.		1874.		Unpaid Sept. 30, 1874.
	Tons.	Tax.	Tons.	Tax.	
Albion—Individual.....	1,100	<i>g</i> \$11 00			
Allen—Individual.....	7,461	<i>h</i> 74 61			
Carr.....	4,000	<i>e</i> 40 00	2,000	<i>e</i> \$20 00	
Cascade (for 1871-2).....	85,587	<i>e</i> 885 87			
Champion.....	<i>i</i> 67,588	<i>i</i> 675 88	<i>j</i> 141,580	<i>j</i> 1,415 80	
Cleveland.....	151,724	<i>e</i> 1,517 24	180,600	<i>e</i> 1,806 00	
Grand Central (for 1871-3).....			14,112	<i>e</i> 141 12	
Green Bay.....	8,012	<i>e</i> 80 12			
Iron Cliffs.....	58,269	<i>e</i> 562 69	76,909	<i>e</i> 769 09	
Iron Mountain (for 1869).....					<i>l</i> \$28 00
Jackson (for 1873-4).....			227,852	<i>e</i> 2,278 52	<i>l</i> 7,556 00
Lake Superior.....	<i>i</i> 158,047	<i>i</i> 1,580 47	<i>j</i> 856,058	<i>j</i> 8,560 58	
Magnetite.....			500	<i>e</i> 5 00	
Marquette.....	11,974	<i>e</i> 119 74	2,165	<i>e</i> 21 65	
Marquette and Pacific Rolling Mill	<i>i</i> 1,278	<i>i</i> 12 78	<i>i</i> 5,094 1/2	<i>i</i> 56 95	<i>m</i> 114 01
McComber—Individual (for 1872)...	5,275	<i>g</i> 218 61			
McComber.....	25,030	<i>e</i> 250 30	88,882	<i>e</i> 888 82	
Michigamme.....	142	<i>e</i> 1 42	82,479	<i>e</i> 824 79	
Negaunee—Individual (for 1871-2)...	14,449	<i>g</i> 144 49			
New England (for 1871-2).....	62,698	<i>d</i> 448 01 <i>e</i> 331 59			
New York.....	184,575	<i>e</i> 1,845 75		For 1874.	<i>k</i> 744 00
Pittsburgh and Lake Angeline.....	120,174	<i>e</i> 1,201 74	For 1869, '70, '71, and '74.		<i>k</i> 3,203 00
Pittsburgh and Lake Superior.....	8,500	<i>e</i> 85 00	For 1874.		<i>k</i> 78 50
Republic (for 1873-4).....			118,770	<i>e</i> 1,187 70	
Saginaw—Individual.....	19,838	<i>g</i> 193 88			
Saginaw.....			86,540	<i>e</i> 865 40	
S. C. Smith.....	12,006	<i>e</i> 120 06			
Shenango.....			8,425	<i>e</i> 84 25	
Spurr Mountain.....			88,000	<i>e</i> 880 00	
Steward.....			800	<i>e</i> 8 00	
Washington.....	<i>i</i> 48,725	<i>i</i> 487 25	<i>i</i> 88,841	<i>i</i> 888 41	<i>m</i> 395 17
Watson.....			14,168	<i>e</i> 141 68	
Williams.....	447	<i>e</i> 4 47			
Winthrop.....	19,998	<i>e</i> 199 98			
Totals.....	974,842	\$10,051 95	1,278,820 1/2	\$12,788 21	\$12,118 48

a One-half per cent on capital paid in and on loans.
b 10c. per ton of product.
c See Sec. 5, Act 22, 1853.
d 1 1/2c. per ton of product.
e 1c. per ton of product.
f Estimated under Act 57, 1872.
g Part-payment of 2 per cent on estimated value of

ore mined—see Sec. 4023, C. L. 1871.
h Sec. 4023, C. L. 1871—value of ore undetermined.
i For preceding year.
j Includes amount for preceding year.
k Paid since Sept. 30, 1874.
l For 1868 to 1871.
m For 1874.

RECAPITULATION.

YEARS.	COPPER.			IRON.		
	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax Paid.	Tons.	Tax Paid.	Unpaid Sept. 30, 1874.
1849.....			\$1,264 00			
1850.....			2,981 86			
1851.....			4,268 94			
1852.....			5,988 98			
1853.....	15	----	11,760 19		\$91 25	
1854.....	18	----	11,581 04			
1855.....	276	1905	7,628 86			
1856.....	2,508	212	8,569 81	806½	80 65	
1857.....	2,994	1458	4,245 11	8,450	402 68	
1858.....	8,498	589	5,888 72	207½	708 50	
1859.....	8,655	904	5,019 91	207½	88 00	
1860.....	8,184	785	4,758 64		625 00	
1861.....	5,504	1760	6,847 19			
1862.....	6,188	1992	7,508 60			
1863.....	5,642	450	275 88			
1864.....	4,784	1684				
1865.....	5,015	1752				
1866.....	5,496	280				
1867.....	5,998	160		8,440	51 60	
1868.....	4,984	678	8,785 11	97,042	1,455 64	\$1895 65
1869.....	8,232	867	9,426 89			2,425 18
1870.....	18,000	1989	8,514 22			2,725 92
1871.....	11,708	1161	8,929 80	500	5 00	2,961 59
1872.....	12,242	1558	8,789 93		26,900 87	
1873.....	11,891	808	8,608 98	974,842	10,051 95	
1874.....	18,470	246	10,102 54	1,278,820½	12,798 21	2,105 64
Totals.....	180,547	528	\$146,628 64	2,857,816	\$58,178 80	b \$12,118 48

	Tons.	Lbs.	Tax Paid.	Unpaid.
Total Copper.....	180,547	468	\$146,628 64	a \$2,440 71
Total Iron.....	2,857,816	----	58,178 80	b 12,118 48
Aggregate	2,488,368	468	\$199,802 44	c \$14,554 19

a \$92 95 paid since Sept. 30, 1874.
b \$921 18 paid since Sept. 30, 1874.
c \$884 18 paid since Sept. 30, 1874.

The Speaker also announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 1, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives* :

SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the following:

“*Resolved*, That the Auditor General be and he is hereby requested to inform the Committee on State Geological Survey of the balance of cash now in the treasury to the credit of the Geological Survey,” and to state in reply that of the eight thousand dollars per annum appropriated by act No. 65, laws of 1869 (as amended by act 179, 1871), for the expenses of said survey, there remains in the State Treasury of the amount applicable to expenses of 1873, the sum of \$3,000 00, and of the amount applicable to expenses of 1874, the sum of \$5,000 00. The amounts applicable to expenses of former years under said acts have been exhausted.

The appropriation of \$20,000 00, by joint resolution No. 3, 1872, for publication of the Geological Report, has all been drawn from the State treasury.

Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY, *Auditor General*.

The communication was referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF RAILROADS, }
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—In reply to the following resolution of the House, of the 30th ult.,

“*Resolved*, That the Commissioner of Railroads be requested to inform this House, as soon as practicable, the number of clerks employed in his office, the salary paid them, and the amount of traveling and other incidental expenses, if any, allowed by the Board of State Auditors, for and on account of said office,”

I have to say that in accordance with the provisions of section 5, of Act No. 79, of the laws of 1873, creating the office of Commissioner of Railroads, I have employed in my office, since its organization in May, 1873, one clerk, at an annual salary of \$1,000.

For traveling expenses I could make no legal charge, except for railroad fares actually paid in the performance of my official duties. I have in some instances paid small amounts, but have presented no account for the same to the Board of State Auditors.

The incidental expenses of my office, from its opening until December 31, 1873, a period of eight months, as shown in my first annual report, page xxvi., are as follows :

Paper	\$40 95	
Printing	234 08	
Binding	71 55	
Postage	45 35	
Stationery	46 02	
Transportation charges	2 40	
Office furniture	53 75	
Miscellaneous	27 80	
		<hr/> \$521 90

The incidental expenses of my office from Jan. 1, 1874, to Oct. 31, 1874, being a period of ten months, as shown in my second annual report, page xxix., are as follows :

Paper	\$2 43	
Printing	39 95	
Binding	17 25	
Postage	73 84	
Stationery	35 67	
Transportation charges	33 40	
Miscellaneous	21 50	
		<hr/> \$224 04

Making a total for the eighteen months, from the opening of the office until the date of my second annual report, of \$745 94. This total amount includes all the expenses of the office except the salary of the clerk, and the publication of my annual report. Four hundred and six dollars and twenty-one cents of the above total amount (leaving \$339 23 for office expenses), is for the paper, printing and binding of the blanks, on which the railroad companies make

their reports to this office, and which under the provisions of the forty-first subdivision of Sec. 7, Act No. 79 of the Session Laws of 1873, I am directed to furnish.

Very respectfully,

STEPHEN S. COBB,
Commissioner of Railroads.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 1, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a joint special committee consisting of three from the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to visit and examine the University of Michigan and the State Agricultural College, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting upon the respective facilities of each institution, to determine at which there could be established, with the greatest economy to the State and most sure prospect of success, a department for instruction in mining, mechanics and technology, the committee to report on or before the 8th of February,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out all after the word "technology," in line 7;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the resolution by the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Feb. 1, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), That the several committees of the Senate and House on the asylums and other State institutions be considered joint committees, and as such are hereby authorized, at such time as suits their convenience, to visit and inspect said institutions, in order that they may be the better qualified to report as to their condition and wants.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The House concurred in the passage of the concurrent resolution.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 1, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to inform the House that the Senate respectfully requests a committee of conference on the disagreement between the two houses relative to

Senate manuscript bill entitled

A bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Wood moved that the request of the Senate be granted, and that the Speaker be authorized to appoint a committee of three on the part of the House, relative to such disagreement;

Which motion prevailed.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors, wine or beer, to minors, and to drunken persons, and to habitual drunkards; to provide a remedy against persons selling liquor to husbands in certain cases; and to repeal an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating drinks as a beverage," and all acts amendatory thereto, as printed on pages 690 to page 701, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871; also to repeal the act approved March 25, 1867, as printed on page 702 of said Compiled Laws; also to repeal act No. 150, as printed on pages 201 and 202 of the session laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 5, Act No. 79, laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Railroads and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation."

Mr. Preston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal sections 2836 to 2891 inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the incorporation of mining and manufacturing companies.

Also,

A bill for the incorporation of manufacturing companies.

Mr. VanAken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 27 of "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 6, 1869, being section 993, chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Howland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the Board of Fish Commissioners, for the propagation and cultivation of fish.

Mr. Potter gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for a uniform assessment of property owned or controlled by railroad corporations, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, and to repeal section 3 of Article III., of act number 198 of the session laws of 1873, providing for the payment of specific taxes by said corporation ;

Also,

A joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of flouring and merchant mill companies.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Moshier, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. E. A. Brown, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12th, 1859, as amended by an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved April 19th, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 114, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a state road in the county of Marquette from Champion furnace to the village of Michigamme.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Meyer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Norton,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Houston,	Ocobock,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Preston,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,	

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the trustees of Mountain Home Cemetery," approved March 28, 1849,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Schattler,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Watkins,

Mr. F. O. Clark,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. West,
Copley,	Howland,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Huggett,	Preston,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Remier,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker, 88

NAYS.

Mr. Churchill,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Calumet township, Houghton county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Strable,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hale,	Meyer,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hart,	Neff,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hollon,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howard,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Howland,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Remier,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker, 88

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 3726 of the Compiled Laws, being section 14 of chapter 136, relative to borrowing money by school districts;

Pending the third reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Robbins,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Robinson,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hart,	Moshier,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Norton,	West,
Cole,	Houston,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Howard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Howland,	Parker,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Wiley,
Daly,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Remer,	Speaker, 80

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Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. Smith,
Budlong,	Klein,	Schattler,	Sutton, 8

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Towne moved that Mr. Goodyear be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Goodyear then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Houston moved that Mr. Preston be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Preston then voted as recorded above.

Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Allegan, State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows.

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lndington,	Struble,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Meyer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robinson,	

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NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Whitney,

Mr. Craig,
Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,

Mr. Huggett,
Keyes,
Kilbourne,
Klein,
Knight,
Lay,

Mr. Reed,
Remer,
Rich,
Robbins,
Robinson,

Mr. Wiley,
Wilson,
Wood,
Yeckley,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Whitney offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested, at his earliest convenience, to report to this House, the population of the several counties of this State, and the increase or decrease per cent, as appears by the census of 1860, 1870, and 1874;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

Mr. Dow moved that the House resolve itself into committee of the whole on the general order;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Rich moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend by making the time 2½ o'clock P. M.

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Curry, by unanimous consent, moved that

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county,

Be ordered to take immediate effect;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 285. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Benjamin S. Dibble, B. A. Corey, James Johnson, and 100 others, voters and tax-payers of the village of Middleville, Barry county, praying for the repeal of the charter of said village.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The petition was laid on the table.

No. 286. By Mr. Daley: Petition of E. B. Ward, Henry Heames, Samuel Trudell and 997 others, asking for the repeal of section 35, chapter 7, of the amended charter of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 13, entitled,

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 19, entitled,

A bill to amend section one (1) of "An act relative to levies of executions on real estate," being section four thousand six hundred and eighty-five (4685), in chapter one hundred and sixty-five (165) of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the new Capitol, and for improvements in said building ;

2. Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to repeal section 4389, of chapter 156 of Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act to provide for the administration and distribution of the estates of intestates ;

3. Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled " An act to provide for the transfer of the insane inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Detroit, or of any county jail in this State, who have been soldiers or marines of the United States to the credit of the State of Michigan, and who are not criminals, to the Insane Asylum at Kalamazoo," the same being Act No. 91 of Session Laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873,

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insane asylum.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the House to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to repeal an act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take effect on the 31st day of March next, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory with the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the employes of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gymnastic associations."

Mr. C. Brown gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield, in the county of Lenawee.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Ferguson in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the Common Council of the City of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers;

2. House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton;

3. House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

4. House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to regulate the height of bridges over railroad tracks;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the committee on railroads.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

5. House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the committee on State affairs.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

6. House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend section 3628, being section 58, of chapter 136, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers of school district boards;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

THOMAS. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second, and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the sixth named bill,

Mr. Morse demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to concur in the amendments did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Benedict,	Hewitt,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Hollon,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Churchill,	Houston,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Copley,	Howard,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Moshier,	Walker,
Eggleston,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Garfield,	Hunt,	Norton,	Wiley,
Goodyear,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wood,
Greiner,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker,
Hale,	Lay,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Meyer,	Stephens,
Billings,	Gerrish,	Morse,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	E. H. Green,	Neff,	Townsend,
Briggs,	I. Green,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Potter,	Walton,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ransom,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Klein,	Rich,	Whitney,
Curry,	Knight,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Daly,	Lee,	Robinson,	Yeckley,

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The bill was then placed in the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the fourth named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on railroads.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the fifth named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on State affairs.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 3, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Crosby.

Roll called : quorum present.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following committees heretofore authorized by vote of the House :

Committee of conference on Senate manuscript bill, entitled a bill to amend sections 598 and 599 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the appointment of notaries public—Messrs. Wood, Parker, and Robinson.

Special joint committee to visit the University and Agricultural College—Messrs. Hulbert, Walker, and Wiley.

Mr. Van Aken asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the Asylum for the Insane, until Monday noon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 287. By Mr. West: Petition of S. B. Goodenow, pastor, and H. H. Garland, Ralph Grow, and John H. Dareh, deacons of the Congregational church of Benton Harbor, relative to and against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 288. By Mr. Knight: Petition of P. D. Miller and 16 others, citizens of Schoolcraft, asking the repeal of so much of section 16, of chapter 98, of volume I. of the Compiled Laws of this State, as relates to the taxation of life insurance premiums ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 289. By Mr. Wood: Petition of Nathaniel Moore, and 59 others, citizens of Jackson county, asking relief against the exactions of the Jackson, Michigan, plank road company ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 290. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of Calvin Wing, John R. Pool, and 50 others, citizens of Jackson and Ingham counties, on the same subject :

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 291. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of W. C. Moore and 37 others, citizens of Sanilac county, for an alteration of the law relating to county superintendents of schools ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 292. By Mr. Meyer: Petition of Chas. H. Mercer to change the present jury system ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 293. By Mr. A. R. Wheeler: Petition of Oliver Bray, James C. Hanlon, and 75 others, asking for the creation of laws preventing the spearing of fish during the months of December, January, February, and March in the inland lakes of Oceana county ;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 294. By Mr. Metcalf: Petition of Amos D. Allen, Arad C. Balch, Jas. W. Hopkins, and 37 others relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 295. By Mr. Metcalf: Petition of Horace Phelps, Theron F. Giddings, Geo. W. Fish, and 175 others of Kalamazoo relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 296. By Mr. A. K. Clark: Petition of J. C. Rouse and 22 others, praying that the same rights be conferred on non-resident taxpayers as are exercised by residents in school districts.

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred
House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on ways and means and military affairs:

The committees on ways and means and military affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State, being section 924 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

THOMAS A. FERGUSON,

Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royale,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on University and Normal School:

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bill:

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled "An act to provide a Municipal Court of the city of Detroit to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 8, 1872, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29,

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the village of Granton to Standish,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ludington," being act No. 220 of the laws of 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:
Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1857, being section 4896 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, as amended by act No. 126, of the session laws of 1873,

In accordance with the request of the Clerk of the House.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The Speaker directed the Clerk to make proper correction of the message and re-return the bill to the Senate.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed and fermented liquors and beverages.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section eleven (11) of chapter one hundred and seventy-eight (178) of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 5259, relative to security of costs in justice's courts.

Mr. Cole gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Wexford, and attach the same to county of Manistee.

Mr. Klein gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal section 26 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of Street Railway Companies," approved March 5th, 1867, being section 2527 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 64, 66, and 69 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the business of banking," approved February 15, 1857, and the acts amendatory thereto for the organization of savings banks, approved March 31, 1871.

Mr. Wood gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of telegraph companies, approved March 26, 1851, being section 2632 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 8 of an act, entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum and coal oils, approved April 3, 1869, as amended by act 45 of the session laws of 1871," being compiler's section numbered 1508 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. VanAken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend section 27 of an act "to provide for a uniform assessment of property and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 6, 1869, being section 993 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to repeal section 124 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for delinquent taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Potter, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 118, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform assessment of property owned or controlled by railroad corporations, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon; and to repeal section 3 of Article III. of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, providing for the payment of specific taxes by said corporations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Potter, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gymnastic associations."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, act No. 79, laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to prevent the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors, wine or beer, to minors, and to drunken persons, and to habitual drunkards; to provide a remedy against persons selling liquor to husbands in certain cases; and to repeal an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating drinks as a beverage," and all acts amendatory thereto, as printed on pages 690 to page 701, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871; also to repeal the act approved March 25, 1867, as printed on page 702 of said Compiled Laws; also to repeal act No. 150, as printed on pages 201 and 202 of the session laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to cede jurisdiction to the United States on certain land, and for the purchase and condemnation thereof," approved March 24, 1874, being act No. 5 of the session laws of 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize the employes of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 124, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of flouring and merchant mill companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of the revised charter of the village of Decatur.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Robinson,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meroer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Preston,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Speaker, 92

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Mr. Klein,	Mr. Robbins,	Mr. Schattler,	3
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county

of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Schattler,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Mercer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend section 3628, being section 58, of chapter 136, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers of school district boards,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Harden moved to amend, by striking out in lines 3 and 4 of recited section 58, the words "and to the primary department of any graded school ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Daly moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to concur in the amendment made by the committee of the whole to the bill, by striking out the word "shall," in the third line of recited section 58, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "may ;"

Mr. Morse demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to reconsider did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Benedict, Benjamin, C. Brown, Campbell, Churchill, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Daly, Goodyear,	Mr. Greiner, Harden, Hart, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne,	Mr. Klein, Lay, Little, Livingstone, Mercer, Metcalf, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Parker,	Mr. Preston, Reed, Remer, Smith, Taylor, Towne, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, E. A. Brown, Budlong, A. K. Clark, Cole, Curry, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green, I. Green, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howland, Hubbard, Knight, Lee, Ludington, McLachlin, Meyer,	Mr. Morse, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Raney, Ransom, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Stephens, Stowe, Struble,	Mr. Sutton, Sweetland, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Little moved to amend by inserting in line 4, of recited section 58, after the word "resident," the words: "*Provided*, It shall not be to the exclusion of resident pupils;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Hollon moved to lay the bill upon the table.

Mr. Potter demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay upon the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Benedict, Benjamin, Campbell, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig,	Mr. Eggleston, Goodyear, Hollon, Houston, Klein, Lay, Mercer,	Mr. Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Parker, Preston, Remer,	Mr. Smith, Towne, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Billings,	Mr. I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton,
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Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hart,	Meyer,	Taylor,
O. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Baalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Dow,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Keyes,	Rich,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Lee,	Schattler,	71

Mr. Harden moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to Mr. Little;

vail.

mend by inserting in line 4, of recited section 58, " after the word "primary;"

vail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting

therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Stephens,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Morse,	Struble,
Billings,	I. Green,	Neff,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Ocobock,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hart,	Packard,	Townsend,
O. Brown,	Hertzler,	Parker,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Potter,	Van Baalte,
Budlong,	Howland,	Ranney,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ransom,	West,
Cole,	Huggett,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Keyes,	Rich,	Whitney,
Curry,	Knight,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Daly,	Lee,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Ludington,	Schattler,	59

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Benedict,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Taylor,
Benjamin,	Hollon,	Mercer,	Towne,
Campbell,	Houston,	Metcalf,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howard,	Moshier,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Norton,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Wood,
Garfield,	Klein,	Bemer,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Lay,		38

The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend the title by adding thereto the words, "and to discourage the building of graded schools in the State of Michigan ;"

Which motion did not prevail.

Title was then agreed to.

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walker,
Churchill,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Packard,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Bradfield offered the following concurring resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Senate and House adjourn from Monday evening, the 8th of February, until Monday the 15th, at 8 P. M., for the purpose of allowing the committees time to visit the State institutions.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

The rules were suspended, and the concurrent resolution was placed on its immediate passage.

Mr. Potter moved to amend by striking out the words "Monday the 8th" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Friday the 5th ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution as amended,

Mr. Briggs demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage of the resolution,

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend by striking out the words "Monday the 15th" and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "Thursday the 11th;"

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The same was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Remer,
Billings,	I. Green,	Klein,	Schattler,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Knight,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Lay,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Metcall,	Sweetland,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Norton,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Parker,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Hunt,	Preston,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,			

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Bailey,	Harden,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Benedict,	Hewitt,	Ranney,	Walker,
Benjamin,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Walton,
Briggs,	Lee,	Reed,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Little,	Rich,	West,
Copley,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	McLachlin,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Mercer,	Smith,	

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On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called; quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Remer moved that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a respectful message to the Senate asking the return to the House of the following resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Senate and House adjourn from Friday evening, the 5th of February instant, until Monday, the 15th of February instant, at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of allowing the committees time to visit the State institutions;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ferguson asked and obtained leave for the committee on military affairs for the afternoon.

Mr. Morse offered the following:

Whereas, This House has learned with great sorrow that our Journal Clerk, Lew. M. Miller, is this evening to enter into the hazardous bonds of matrimony;

And whereas, It is fitting that so faithful a servant should receive our sympathy and condolence;

Resolved, That we tender to him, in the most trying hour of his life, our heartfelt sympathy, and our hopes that he will pass the ordeal with the dignity becoming a man;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Hunt, by unanimous consent, presented the following:

No. 297. Petition of Edgar Conkling, relative to a certain decision of the commissioner of the State Land Office;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Klein in the chair.

After some time spent therein the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869;

2. House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James, in the county of Saginaw, to purchase of the Swan Creek & Saginaw Bridge Company, its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge;"

3. House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elmira;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

4. Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend sections 338, 339, 340, and 341, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of an act entitled "An act to create a board

of fund commissioners, and to define their powers and duties," approved April 2, 1848;

5. House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15 of Article IV., of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873;

6. House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, and to locate the county seat thereof;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

PETER KLEIN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three first named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee to the three last named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, February 4, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called; a quorum present.

No. 298. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Stephen Bradford and 30 others, citizens of Otsego county, for the organization of Otsego county, and against being attached to Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 299. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of J. C. Hooker and 42 others, citizens of Otsego county, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 300. By Mr. C. Brown: Petition of Mary J. McDermot, asking the State of Michigan to convey its title in and to certain real estate to her;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

No. 301. By Mr. Taylor: Petition of John H. Merrill and 37 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 302. By Mr. Whitney: Petition of T. D. Smith, O. F. Conklin, and 73 others, asking for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendents of common schools:

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 303. By Mr. Walton: Petition of C. C. Fitz and 61 others relative to the game law;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

The following is the petition:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of the county of Bay in said State, in consequence of the wanton and wholesale destruction of deer in our State, and with the well known fact that does, from yearlings upwards, killed during the month of December, are at that time with young, and that the slaughter of each is equivalent to the destruction of three deer, respectfully request that the time fixed by section No. 1 of act No. 124, of session laws of 1869, as amended by act No. 46 of session laws of 1873, for pursuing, hunting, or killing any wild elk, wild buck, doe, or fawn, be amended by striking out the words, "during the months of October, November, and December, and substituting in lieu thereof the words, "from the 15th day of September to the 1st day of December," so that the same shall be lawful only during said last mentioned time.

Also that section No. 8 of said act, as amended by act No. 135 of session laws of 1871, be also amended by striking out the word "thirty" in the fifth line thereof, fixing the time within which railroads and express companies may transport birds and animals after the time fixed by said act for the killing of the same, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten."

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray, etc.

No. 304. By Mr. Smith: Petition of P. A. Cady, C. C. Dewey, and 120 others, of Napoleon, Jackson county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of County Superintendent of Schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 305. By Mr. Churchill: Petition of W. S. Humphrey, A. P. Newton, and 29 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 306. By Mr. Churchill: Petition of Murray I. Hoppock and 14 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 307. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of R. J. Storm, and 41 others, residents of Calhoun county, relative to the taxation of personal property;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 308. By Mr. Ransom: Remonstrance of Jno. Brady and 22 others, physicians of Grand Rapids, against a law establishing a State Medical Board, and the registration of physicians;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 309. By Mr. Preston: Petition of E. J. Holcomb and 71 others, taxpayers of the township of Bedford, Calhoun county, asking for the passage of a law taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 310. By Mr. Copley: Petition of L. Crane and 148 others for the repeal of the county superintendent act, and the passage of a law prohibiting the use of public money for teaching language in public schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 311. By Mr. Harris: Petition of W. H. Harrison and 93 others of Ottawa county for the repeal of the act creating the office of County Superintendents of Schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 312. By Mr. Meyer: Petition of the common council of the village of Brighton and 44 tax-payers for an act to empower the common council of said village to assess and collect, immediately, a tax sufficient to pay the accrued indebtedness of said village;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred the petition of Wm. Woods and forty-four others, asking for the passage of an act authorizing the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill:

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake,

Recommending that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

A joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize the employés of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, having had under consideration the subject of the construction of railroad bridges, and the loss of life from the nearness of bridges overhead to the top of cars, as a measure to correct this evil beg leave to report to the House

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to regulate the construction of highway and railroad bridges,

And recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe;

2. House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section one (1) of " An act relative to levies of executions on real estate," being section four thousand six hundred and eighty-five (4685), of chapter one hundred and sixty-five (165) of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the new capitol and for improvements in said building,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Asylum for the Insane:

The committee on Asylum for the Insane, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the transfer of the insane inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Detroit, or of any county jail in the State, who have been soldiers or marines of the United States to the credit of the State of Michigan, and who are not criminals, to the Insane Asylum at Kalamazoo," the same being Act No. 91 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. W. VAN AKEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 2, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following:

An act to change the corporate name of the Lutheran Dutch German Church of Bainbridge, in the county of Berrien, and State of Michigan;

Also,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the township of Casinovia, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874;

Also,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the township of Tyrone, in the county of Kent, for the year 1874;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States for an appropriation to repair and improve the harbor of South Haven on Lake Michigan;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress to establish a United States judicial circuit in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Alpena, Alpena county, State of Michigan;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation for the improvement of the harbor at Eagle Harbor, Keweenaw county, Michigan;

Also,

Concurrent resolution to urge the passage of bill by the Congress of the United States to equalize the bounties of soldiers and sailors;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the Congress of the United States to aid in the improvement of the navigation of Pine river, in Charlevoix county, on Lake Michigan;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbors at St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, and New Buffalo, in the county of Berrien, State of Michigan;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of harbor at Saugatuck, in the county of Allegan and State of Michigan;

Also,

An act to change the name of the "Société de Bienfaisance Lafayette, Detroit."

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The Speaker announced the following:

HALE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing February 4, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HORT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—Under resolution of the House authorizing me so to do (the committee on engrossment and enrollment deeming it necessary), I appoint Chas. A. Chapin of Washtenaw county, assistant engrossing and enrolling clerk.

Very respectfully,

HORACE R. HULBURD,
Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Senate and House adjourn from Friday evening, the 5th of February, inst., until Monday the 15th of February, inst., at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of allowing the committees time to visit the State Institutions;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out the figure "8" and inserting "7½" in lieu thereof,

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

No. 311. By Mr. Harris: Petition of W. H. Harrison and 93 others of Ottawa county for the repeal of the act creating the office of County Superintendents of Schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 312. By Mr. Meyer: Petition of the common council of the village of Brighton and 44 tax-payers for an act to empower the common council of said village to assess and collect, immediately, a tax sufficient to pay the accrued indebtedness of said village;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred the petition of Wm. Woods and forty-four others, asking for the passage of an act authorizing the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill:

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake,

Recommending that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

A joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize the employés of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, having had under consideration the subject of the construction of railroad bridges, and the loss of life from the nearness of bridges overhead to the top of cars, as a measure to correct this evil beg leave to report to the House

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to regulate the construction of highway and railroad bridges,

And recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe;

2. House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to amend section one (1) of "An act relative to levies of executions on real estate," being section four thousand six hundred and eighty-five (4685), of chapter one hundred and sixty-five (165) of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the new capitol and for improvements in said building,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

Mr. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendment made to the resolution by the Senate ;

Mr. Morse demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Stowe,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Klein,	Struble,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Knight,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Van Rualte,
Churchill,	Houston,	Meyer,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Neff,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Norton,	Whitney,
Curry,	Huggett,	Potter,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wood,
Dow,	Hunt,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,			49

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Harden,	Moshier,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Harris,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Benjamin,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Towne,
Billings,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Lay,	Reed,	West,
Copley,	Lee,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Garfield,	Little,	Rich,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Robinson,	47

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Feb. 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment in to the county treasury, of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill fixing the time of the election of the Recorder of the city of Detroit,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend sections 70 and 93 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 1036 and 1059 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 24, entitled,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made for such purposes," being chapter 104 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to provide for apprenticing destitute children ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 104, entitled,

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20 of Chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to provide for the payment of the non-commissioned officers and musicians of the fifth (5), sixth (6), and seventh (7) regiments Michigan infantry, for services rendered the State in August, 1861.

Mr. G. Brown gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to convey the title of the State of Michigan in and to certain real estate to Mary Jane McDermot.

Mr. Packard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act, Chapter 26 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "An act relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways."

Mr. Packard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of cattle passages under highways.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of Chapter 240, being section 7478 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of justices of the peace in criminal cases.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 7447 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of justices of the peace," being act number 97 of the session laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873.

Mr. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to enable the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road company to charge and receive additional tolls for travel over their road."

Mr. A. K. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the school laws.

Mr. Meyer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to empower the common council of the village of Brighton in the county of Livingston to immediately assess and collect a tax to pay the accrued indebtedness and liability of said village.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3 and 5, of chapter 125, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to skating parks or rinks, and parks kept for ornament, recreation, or amusement.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 178, of Compiled Laws of 1871, of justice courts.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Wenona, in Bay county.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 5 and 9, of chapter 186 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Of consolidating and referring causes"

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to grant certain State and swamp lands to aid in construction of a railroad from L'Anse, in Houghton county, to the village of Hancock.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the payment of specific taxes by individuals and partnerships now or heretofore engaged in mining iron ore.

Mr. Morse gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for a uniformity of text books in the primary schools of the State.

Mr. Little gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the incorporation of the Order of Knights of Pythias.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed, and fermented liquors and beverages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and on motion of Mr. Hollon was ordered printed and referred to special committee on liquor traffic.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill for the more effectual protection of working men, miners, and laborers, and other employes in the mines and quarries of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 131, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of chapter 178 the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to security for costs in justice courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Howland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the Board of Fish Commissioners for the years 1875 and 1876;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. C. Brown, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Cole, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Wexford and attach the same to the county of Manistee;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Backus, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, being act No. 215 of the Session Laws of 1871; and also to amend an act entitled "An act entitled an act to amend section 58 of act No. 215 of the Session Laws, of 1871," being an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Greenville, approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum and coal oils, approved April 3, 1869, as amended by act 45 of the session laws of 1871," being compiler's section numbered 1808 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 138, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of telegraph companies, approved March 26, 1851, being section 2632 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations;

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Roscommon, in said county;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 140, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 192 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to levies and sales on executions;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to lay out and construct a State road in Keweenaw county;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. E. H. Green, unanimous consent being asked, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 84, entitled:

A bill to amend an act entitled, "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869,

Was read a third time and was not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Huggett,	Mr. Rich,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Struble,
Berk,	Hale,	Ludington,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Meyer,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Potter,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,		38

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Sutton,
Copley,	Hunt,	Packard,	Sweetland,
Craig,	Keyes,	Preston,	Towne,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Whitney,

Mr. Dow,
Garfield,
Gerrish,
Goodyear,

Mr. Klein,
Knight,
Lay,

Mr. Reed,
Robbins,
Robinson,

Mr. Wilson,
Yeckley,
Speaker.

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Daly moved that Mr. Livingstone be not excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Livingstone then voted as recorded above.

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James, in the county of Saginaw, to purchase of the Swan Creek and Saginaw Bridge Company, its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Greiner,	Livingston,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Meroer,	Strable,
Billings,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Osobeck,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Potter,	West,
Craig,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	L. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
E. H. Green,	Little,	Schattler,	Speaker.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Little,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend sections 338, 339, 340, and 341 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 of an act entitled "An act to create a Board of Fund Commissioners, and to define their powers and duties," approved April 2, 1848;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows.

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Little,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Walton,
Churchill,	Houston,	Norton,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Whitney,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hunt,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Daly,	Keres,	Rich,	Speaker,
Dow,	Klein,	Robbins,	87

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Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Harris,	Packard,	Stowe,	Wood,
Kilbourne,	Potter,		10

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Van Aken moved that Mr. Ferguson be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ferguson then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elmira,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Towne,

Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Townsend,
Briggs,	Herizler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Walker,
Badlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,	Schattler,	95

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Mr. Churchill,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and section 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15 of Article IV., of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873;

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House reconsidered the vote by which it concurred in the action of the committee of the whole in amending the bill, striking out of line 2, recited section 13, the word "twice," and inserting the words "three times" in lieu thereof.

The amendment was then not concurred in.

Mr. Daly moved to lay the bill on the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,

Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Towne,	
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,	
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,	
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Ralte,	
Budlong,	Hollan,	Northrop,	Walker,	
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,	
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocoback,	Watkins,	
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,	
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Whitney,	
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wilson,	
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,	
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Yockley,	
Ferguson,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker,	96
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

Mr. Wood asked and obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for special committee on University and Agricultural College for to-morrow.

Mr. Armstrong asked and obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

Mr. Towne asked and obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for to-morrow.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, and to locate the county seat thereof,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend the bill by adding at the end of section 6, the words, "And shall form a part of the 12th judicial circuit;"

Which motion prevailed; two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocebock,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	L. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Speaker, 92

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Mr. Robbins, 1
Title agreed to.
 On motion of Mr. Hulbert,
 By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Howard offered the following:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the chairman of the railroad committees of the Senate and House, together with the Railroad Commissioner, be requested to act as a joint committee to arrange for the transportation of the committees on the Asylums and other State Institutions to visit and inspect the same.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The rules were suspended and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Metcalf offered the following:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the *amending words and sentences* of all bills for amending existing laws, be underscored before presentation, and the printer for the State be instructed to *rule* all such underscored words and sentences.

Laid over one day under the rules.

Mr. Kilbourne moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass

House bill No. 84, entitled,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Harden,

The bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The House went into committee of the whole; on the general order,

Mr. Rich in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School ;

2. Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the new Capitol, and for improvements in said building ;

3. Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the transfer of the insane inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Detroit, or of any county jail in this State, who have been soldiers or marines of the United States to the credit of the State of Michigan, and who are not criminals, to the Insane Asylum at Kalamazoo," the same being act No. 91 of session laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

4. House bill No. 98, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

J. T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first three named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee to the fourth named bill,

The same were concurred in, and the bill placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. F. O. Clark moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to define the boundaries of the township of Ingallston, and to organize the township of Spalding, in the county of Menominee ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Potter,

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 313. By Mr. Bartow: Petition of C. R. Daniels and 20 others, of Clinton county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of County Superintendent of Schools;

Also,

No. 314. Petition of R. Bayliss and 50 others, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 315. By Mr. Harris: Petition of Wm. Creage and 103 others, relative to assessment and equalization of property;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex town 41 north, of range 33 west, to the township of Menominee and county of Menominee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, and recommend that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to organize the township of "Springdale," in the county of Wexford,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors, disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they may be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend an act of Congress relative to homesteads for honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, their widows and orphan children,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. I. Green moved that the rule be suspended, and the joint resolution be put upon its immediate passage;

Which motion did not prevail.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 118, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform assessment of property owned or controlled by railroad corporations, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, and to repeal section 3 of Article III., of act number 198 of the session laws of 1873, providing for the payment of specific taxes by said corporation,

Respectfully report the same back to the House, with the request that it be printed, and recommitted to this committee.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

The bill was ordered printed, and recommitted to the committee on railroads.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to

trustees for such purposes," being chapter 104 of Compiled Laws of 1871, to provide for apprenticing destitute children ;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of this bill is to change the present law so as to empower the trustees of said corporations to indenture or apprentice destitute or foundling children of said corporations.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gymnastic associations," being Chapter 124 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of the bill is to amend the present law so as to include boating associations.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of the bill is expressed in the title.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the "Teutonia Aid Society," of East Saginaw, and the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association," to be called "The Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association, of East Saginaw, Michigan,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it be referred to the committee on the judiciary, there be-

ing a legal question involved in the bill, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 27, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expense of constructing sewers in said city, upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby;

2. House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The two-named bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Reed gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office or other proper officer, to issue a patent, or deed, to Joseph R. Smith, on primary school land certificate No. 1616.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Ogemaw, and to locate the county seat thereof.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Bailey,
Bartow,
Benedict,

Mr. Gerrish,
E. H. Green,
I. Green,
Harden,

Mr. Lay,
Lee,
Little,
Livingstone,

Mr. Robbins,
Robinson,
Schattler,
Smith,

Mr. Benjamin, Berk, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Curry, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Ludington, McLachlin, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Billings, Churchill, Cole,	Mr. Daly, Goodyear, Greiner,	Mr. Mercer, Ocobock, Sutton,	Mr. Towne, I. P. Wheeler, Wilson,
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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Bailey moved to amend the bill by making the appropriation \$500 less than therein provided, for each of the years 1875 and 1876 ;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor ;

The bill was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes,	Mr. Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley,
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Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lee,	Mr. Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler,	Mr. Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	88
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Mr. Briggs, E. A. Brown,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Lay,	5
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Walker,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the New Capitol, and for improvements in said building,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich,	Mr. Robinson, Schattler, Stephens, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	85
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Mr. Benjamin, E. A. Brown, Budlong,	Mr. Harden, Keyes, Mercer,	Mr. Ransom, Robbins, Smith,	Mr. Stowe, Wiley,	11
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the transfer of the insane inmates of the Soldiers' Home at Detroit, or of any

county jail in this State, who have been soldiers or marines of the United States to the credit of the State of Michigan, and who are not criminals, to the Insane Asylum at Kalamazoo," the same being act No. 91 of session laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Robinson,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Schattler,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Berk,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Norton,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Reimer,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Rich,	Speaker,
Garfield,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The assistant engrossing and enrolling clerk, Mr. Charles A. Chapin, came forward and took and subscribed the constitutional oath of office, and assumed his duties.

Mr. Wiley moved that the clerk be instructed to transmit a respectful message to the Senate asking the return to the House of the following resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the Senate and House adjourn from Friday evening, the 5th of February instant, until Monday, the 15th of February instant, at 8 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of allowing the committees time to visit the State institutions.

Mr. Little moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Rich demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay on the table prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Potter,
Bartow,	Dow,	Klein,	Preston,
Benjamin,	Eggleston,	Knight,	Schattler,
Berk,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Little,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
O. Brown,	Harris,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Metcalf,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Meyer,	Walker,
Churchill,	Howard,	Neff,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Yeckley, 60

NAYS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Ranney,	Mr. Taylor,
Benedict,	Hart,	Ransom,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Reed,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Remer,	Watkins,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	West,
Garfield,	Lee,	Robbins,	A. R. Wheeler,
Gerrish,	Mercer,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Goodyear,	Morse,	Smith,	Wood,
E. H. Green,	Moshier,	Stephens,	Speaker, 38
Hale,	Packard,		

Mr. Livingstone moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the House adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Walker offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on State affairs be directed to investigate the matter of insurance on the different buildings belonging to the State, and to report by bill or otherwise ;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, February 5, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Prudden.

Roll called; quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Hertzler, Knight, Charchill, Ludington, Norton, and Schattler.

Mr. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hertzler indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Wilson asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until the 17th inst.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Churchill until the 17th inst.

Mr. Hubbard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ludington for the day.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for the day.

Mr. Curry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Norton for the day.

Mr. Hubbard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Schattler for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 316. By Mr. Walton: Petition of A. H. Howard and 22 others, for the organization of the township of Bagley, in Otsego county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 317. By Mr. Walton: Petition of W. R. McCormick and 23 others, relative to the game law;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 318. By Mr. Walton: Petition of J. Sherman and 23 others, relative to the game law;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 319. By Mr. Benjamin: Petition of J. B. White and 10 others, physicians of Saginaw county, asking for the passage of a law to secure the registration of physicians, and to require of them certain qualifications;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 320. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of D. Darwin Hughes, J. W. Champlin, L. D. Norris, Thomas B. Church, Judge Withey, the county officers of Kent county, and 60 others, relative to the powers and compensation of prosecuting attorneys;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 321. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of J. Howland, S. Tingley, C. M. Crosswell and 200 others, of Lenawee county, relative to damages arising from fires caused by hunters, and asking for protection therefrom;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 322. By Mr. Hart: Petition of L. B. Denton and 11 others, asking the organization of the township of Houghton, in the unorganized county of Roscommon;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment and taxation of mortgages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend sections 70 and 93 of an act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, being sections 1036 and 1059 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 117, entitled

A bill to repeal section 124 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for delinquent taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committees on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State Reform School:

The committee on State Reform School to whom was referred

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 12, of chapter 268 of Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 8135 and 8137, relative to the State Reform School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. McLACHLIN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Reform School:

The committee on State Reform School, to whom was referred

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875 and 1876,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. McLACHLIN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. McLachlin,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the "Teutonia Aid Society" of East Saginaw and the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association," to be called the Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw, Michigan,

For the purpose of having the opinion of said committee upon the legality of such proposed consolidation, beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration, and would report that in their opinion there can be no legal objection to the proposed consolidation by the bill introduced, and that it has been the custom of the Legislature in former sessions to pass similar bills.

CLEAVELAND HUNT, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the Board of Fish Commissioners, for the years 1875 and 1876,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of the revised charter of the village of Decatur,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment,

and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committees on judiciary and roads and bridges:

The joint committees on judiciary and roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways and adding a new section thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

By the laws of 1846, it was provided that three commissioners of highways should be elected in each township, and in pursuance of that law townships have continued to elect three highway commissioners ever since. But by the constitution now in force, adopted in 1850, four years after the passage of said

law, it is plainly provided that but one highway commissioner should be elected. The intention of the framers of the constitution is to be gathered from the convention debates upon the subject, and a careful perusal of such debates convinces your committees that the plain intendment of section 1, of Article XL, of the constitution, is to provide for but one commissioner for each township. This is shown by the fact that various propositions for a larger number of commissioners than one were voted down by the convention, and the section as it now stands was finally adopted. Aside from the grave doubts which the committees entertain as to the constitutionality of three commissioners acting, there are economic reasons for the reduction of the number of commissioners from three to one, which will readily suggest themselves to every one.

LEROY PARKER,
Chairman Judiciary Committee.
A. HEWITT,

Chairman Committee on Roads and Bridges.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 4, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to amend sections 7, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 22, and 23 of an act entitled "An act to provide a Municipal Court of the city of Detroit, to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 28, 1872, and to add six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 ;

Also,

An act to change the name of the township of Killbuck, in Lake county, to Glencoe ;

Also,

An act to amend section one (1) of " An act relative to levies of executions on real estate," being section four thousand six hundred and eighty-five, in chapter one hundred and sixty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Also,

Concurrent resolution asking Congress to pass a bill granting one hundred and sixty acres of government land to soldiers and sailors, without regard to occupation.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced a message from the Governor, containing a list of pardons granted during the years 1873 and 1874 :

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 7, 1875. }

To the Senate and House of Representatives :

The list presented herewith includes all the pardons granted by me during the years 1873 and 1874, with the reasons for issuing the same :

1. Mary Jackson. Convicted of perjury in April, 1872, in Kent Circuit Court, and sentenced to the House of Correction for one and one-half years.

Pardoned January 3, 1873, on petition of Judge Hoyt and the Prosecuting Attorney.

2. Alfred Jolliett. Convicted of forgery in Recorder's Court, Detroit, October 15, 1872, and sentenced for one year to the House of Correction.

Pardoned January 21, 1873, on account of insanity. Was taken home to Chicago by his parents.

3. Nicholas J. Holt. Convicted of assault and battery in Livingston Circuit, October 12, 1872, and sentenced to the House of Correction for one hundred and thirty days.

Pardoned February 3, 1873, on recommendation of Prosecuting Attorney and others, and on account of previous good character.

4. Abram Francis. Convicted of arson February, 1870, in Saginaw Circuit, and sentenced for life.

Pardoned February 3, 1873, on condition that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors, and on account of doubt of his guilt. The judge before whom he was tried claimed that developments after conviction convinced him of his entire innocence.

5. Albert Bale. Convicted of petty larceny in Justice Court, Washtenaw county, and sentenced to the House of Correction for sixty days from February 4, 1874.

Pardoned February 12, 1874, on the petition of B. J. Billings, M. J. Noyes, J. M. Martin, the complaining witness and others. It was his first offense.

6. John Northwang. Convicted of larceny in the Police Court, Detroit, December 17, 1872, and sentenced to the House of Correction for three months.

Pardoned February 18, 1873, on recommendation of Dr. Ellis and the complaining witness, and on account of extreme youth.

7. Jacob Meyer. Convicted of larceny in the Police Court, Detroit, February 21, 1873, and sentenced to the House of Correction for ninety days.

Pardoned March 4, 1873, on account of his extreme youth, and because he is a citizen of New York and would be taken home by his friends; which was done.

8. Thomas Wolverin. Convicted of assault and robbery in Marquette Circuit, February 2, 1870, and sentenced for twenty-one years.

Pardoned March 4, 1873, on recommendation of the judge who sentenced, Prosecuting Attorney, and all the leading citizens of the county, and on account of severity of sentence, and as contrary to subsequent decision of our Supreme Court that there could be no intent.

9. John Finn. Convicted of assault and robbery in Marquette Circuit, February 2, 1870, and sentenced for fifteen years.

Pardoned March 4, 1873, same reasons as No. 8.

10. Thomas Quigley. Convicted of burglary in Kalamazoo Circuit, September, 1869, and sentenced for five years.

Pardoned March 12, 1873, on recommendation of Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, and others, and on account of his youth and previous good character.

11. William D. Wall. Convicted in Justice Court, St. Joseph county, January 24, 1873, of assault and battery, and sentenced to the House of Correction for five months.

Pardoned March 12, 1873, on recommendation of the justice who sentenced

him and other prominent citizens. He had served half his time, and his father was at the point of death.

12. Burton Champion. Convicted in Allegan county, October, 1872, of stealing from a shop in the day-time; sentenced to the Reform School.

Pardoned March 25, 1873, on account of his youth. He had a good home, which was the best place for him, and doubt of his guilt.

13. F. H. H. Primrose. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Detroit, December 17, 1870, of embezzlement, and sentenced for three years.

Pardoned April 1, 1873, on account of the good character of the petitioners, and that a respectable house in Detroit offered him employment, and his time was nearly out.

14. Lucy Smith. Convicted in Kalamazoo Circuit, May 21, 1872, of being a disorderly person, and sentenced to the House of Correction for one year.

Pardoned April 19, 1873, on recommendation of the superintendent of the House of Correction, and statement that a good family will give her a home, and assurances that she has thoroughly reformed.

15. Hattie McDonald. Convicted in the Recorder's Court, Detroit, December 11, 1872, of larceny from a dwelling, and sentenced to the House of Correction for two years.

Pardoned April 25, 1873, on statement of the prison physician that she was losing her eyesight, and recommendation of the superintendent of the House of Correction and many citizens of Huron county, conditioned that she at once proceed to her home in Huron county.

16. John M. Jones. Convicted in Lapeer Circuit, June 7, 1872, of an attempt to burn goods to defraud an insurance company, and sentenced for two years.

Pardoned May 6, 1873, on petition of Judge, jury, Prosecuting Attorney, complaining witness, and many of the business men of Lapeer.

17. W. Delaney. Convicted in the Police Court, Detroit, April 26, 1873, of willfully destroying property, and sentenced to the House of Correction for thirty days.

Pardoned May 14, 1873,—ground,—tender age of the boy; House of Correction is no place for children.

18. Robert McPherson. Convicted in Kent Circuit, of larceny, March, 1872, and sentenced for two and one-half years.

Pardoned May 14, 1873, on statement of prison authorities that he was consumptive and would soon die. Died June 1, 1873.

19. Edward Taylor. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit of assault with intent to rape, sentenced for five years from April 15, 1870.

Pardoned May 24, 1873, on application of Judge who sentenced, Prosecuting Attorney and jury.

20. Maximilian Stutte. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Detroit, January 5, 1871, of larceny from a store in the day-time, and sentenced for three years.

Pardoned June 2, 1873, on application of the Prosecuting Attorney, P. J. D. Van Dyke. He had been a good boy in prison, and his term would expire in one month,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

21. William Edwards. Convicted in the Recorder's Court, Detroit, January 16, 1864, of murder in the second degree and sentenced for twenty years.

Pardoned July 3, 1873, on petition of a large number of citizens, jury, and others, and his good conduct while in confinement,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

22. Henry Mills. Convicted in St. Clair Circuit of robbery, September 27, 1870, and sentenced for seven and one-half years.

Pardoned July 29, 1873,—ground,—that he has consumption and cannot live long. Since dead.

23. Eli R. Brown. Convicted in Police Court, Detroit, July 27, 1873, of disturbing the peace, and sent to House of Correction for thirty days.

Pardoned August 1, 1873,—ground,—Brown was a recruit in the U. S. A., and his commanding officer wished to take him to his regiment.

24. Frank Robinson. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Detroit, March 12, 1873, of larceny, and sentenced to House of Correction for one year.

Pardoned August 6, 1873. He was a mere boy, and was released on condition that his mother, who resides in Canada, would take him with her, and that he should never return.

25. Alexander Wood. Convicted of assault and battery in Justice Court, Wayne county, and sentenced to House of Correction July 5, 1873, for sixty-five days.

Pardoned August 9, 1873, on the ground that his wife and infant child are in a very destitute condition, and on petition of A. A. Turner, John Clee, Wm. Parks, and nearly all the best citizens of Trenton. His first offense.

26. Joseph Cary. Convicted in Lenawee Circuit, April 25, 1872, of assault with intent to rape, and sentenced to the House of Correction for two years.

Pardoned August 26, 1873, on recommendation of F. C. Beaman, A. Howell, C. M. Croswell, the Judge who sentenced him, Prosecuting Attorney and many others,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

27. Robert McGra. Convicted in Kalamazoo Circuit, December 6, 1869, of burglary, and sentenced for ten years.

Pardoned August 26, 1873, for the reason that he was very low with consumption. Since dead.

28. Michael Bresnahan. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Detroit, August 17, 1871, of manslaughter, sentenced for five years.

Pardoned September 26, 1873, on the statement of physician that he was suffering from lung disease and could not live long.

29. Darius W. Field. Convicted in St. Joseph Circuit, February 8, 1872, of conspiracy and obtaining property under false pretenses, sentenced for two years.

Pardoned October 7, 1873, because his time would expire in two days and he has been of service to the agent of the prison in discovering and preventing conspiracy.

30. Mary Thomas. Convicted in Clinton Circuit, June 17, 1873, of adultery, and sentenced to House of Correction for six months.

Pardoned October 17, 1873, on petition of many of the prominent citizens of the locality, and because she was very ill.

31. Frederick Ingles. Convicted of larceny in Genesee Circuit, May 24, 1872, and sentenced for two years.

Pardoned October 28, 1873, because he had lost a hand while in prison, and from personal investigation was satisfied the man should not be confined longer.

32. Magnus Gustavson. Convicted in Delta Circuit, September, 1873, and sentenced to county jail for six months for assaulting and injuring a dwelling house.

Pardoned November 17, 1873, on assurances that he was made the tool of others while in a state of intoxication, and because the condition of the jail was such that unless released there was great danger that his health would be seriously impaired if not ruined, and on petition of prominent citizens of the place,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor.

33. August Wickstrum. Convicted in Delta Circuit in September, 1873, of the same offense, and sentenced for same length of time as No. 32.

Pardoned at same time as No. 32, for the same reasons and upon same conditions.

34. Addie Mountjoy. Convicted in Justice Court, Berrien County, March 4, 1873, of being a common prostitute, and in default of bail sent to the House of Correction for one year.

Pardoned November 27, 1873, because a home has been found for her in a good family and she has thoroughly reformed.

35. David P. Roach. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit, of larceny February 19, 1873, and sentenced for two years.

Pardoned November 27, 1873, on application of Sheriff, Prosecuting Attorney of the county and many others, and doubt of real guilt. There is no doubt in my mind of this man's innocence of the crime of which he was convicted.

36. Edgar Simmons. Convicted in Recorder's Court, East Saginaw, November 19, 1873, of drunkenness, and sentenced to House of Correction for ninety days.

Pardoned December 3, 1873, on statement of physician that if kept in confinement he would not live his time out. His friends agree to take care of him.

37. Barney Curley. Convicted in St. Clair Circuit of murder in the second degree, September 10, 1867, and sentenced for ten years.

Pardoned December 25, 1873, on petition of the judge who sentenced him, who urged it on the ground that he had long been satisfied that the sentence was too severe by nearly, if not quite one-half, and Judge Mitchell, O. D. Conger, and many prominent citizens of St. Clair county, as well as the jurors, and father of the boy who was shot.

38. Henry Winn. Convicted in Justice Court, Lenawee county, January 2, 1874, of assault and battery, and sentenced to the House of Correction for three months.

Pardoned January 14, 1874, on petition of prominent citizens of Adrian, and on showing of previous good character, and a belief that if pardoned he will thoroughly reform,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

39. Jefferson M. Patchin. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit, September 25, 1873, of obtaining goods under false pretenses. Sentenced to county jail for four months.

Pardoned January 19, 1874, on petition of Judge Woodruff and statement that there were mitigating circumstances and doubt of real guilt.

40. Joseph H. Strang. Convicted in Hillsdale Circuit of rape, and sentenced for seven years, March 15, 1871.

Pardoned January 22, 1874, on petition of Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, jurors, and prominent citizens of the county, and statement of the agent and physician of the prison that he could not live long. Since dead.

41. Caroline Bradley. Convicted in Police Court of Detroit, January 16, 1874, of petty larceny, and sentenced to the Detroit House of Correction for sixty days.

Pardoned February 3, 1874, on account of old age, poor health, previous good character, and petition of party from whom she stole and other good citizens.

42. Thomas Green. Convicted in Leelanaw Circuit, December 22, 1868, of rape, and sentenced for ten years.

Pardoned February 4, 1874, on statement of the Prosecuting Attorney and Judge that they had become satisfied that the party was entirely innocent of the crime.

43. Hugh McGee. Convicted in a Justice Court, Lenawee county, of being a disorderly person, and sentenced to House of Correction, Detroit, for one year, in default of bail, from October 26, 1873.

Pardoned March 3, 1874, on petition of N. G. King and other prominent citizens,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor.

44. John Moffat. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Port Huron, of being drunk and disorderly, December 9, 1873, and sentenced to House of Correction, Detroit, for four months and ten days.

Pardoned March 5, 1874, on petition of Prosecuting Attorney, Mayor of Port Huron, John Hibbard and other prominent men of the city, and evidence that the young man has a determination to reform,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor.

45. Moses Canfield. Convicted in Branch Circuit of assault and battery with intent to murder, and sentenced in May, 1852, for life.

Pardoned March 13, 1874, on petition of prominent citizens of Branch county and statement of Dr. Cutler and Dr. Beach, who gave testimony as medical men at time of trial, that there was great doubt of real guilt,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor.

46. Robert Dunlap. Convicted in Bay Circuit, September 22, 1873, of resisting an officer, and sentenced for one year.

Pardoned March 17, 1874, on petition of the Judge who sentenced him, Prosecuting Attorney, and prominent citizens of Bay county. The judge stated that if he had known at the time, facts which have since come to his knowledge, he would either have suspended sentence or made the punishment much lighter,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor.

47. Daniel H. Thompson. Convicted in St. Joseph Circuit of burglary and larceny, and sentenced June 30, 1869, for ten years.

Pardoned April 9, 1874, because he was very low and could not live long. Supposed to have since died.

48. John L. Durbin. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit of larceny, and sentenced to House of Correction December 6, 1873, for six months, and six months additional if a fine of \$100 be not paid within the time.

Pardoned April 10, 1874, on account of mitigating circumstances and petition of Judge Woodruff, Prosecuting Attorney, and other prominent citizens familiar with the facts.

49. Eva Denio. Convicted in St. Joseph Circuit of adultery, November 10, 1873, and sentenced to House of Correction for six months.

Pardoned April 10, 1874, on application of superintendent of House of Correction, as he had found a good home for her, and her time was nearly out.

50. Drui Weinhart. Convicted of adultery, and sentenced from Kent Circuit, June 3, 1873, to House of Correction for two and one-half years.

Pardoned April 23, 1874, on the application of the Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, and other county officers and citizens of Grand Rapids.

51. Michael O'Brien. Convicted in Kent Circuit, October 10, 1872, of resisting an officer, and sentenced for two years.

Pardoned May 22, 1874, because his time would expire on the 12th of June, 1874, and statement of prison agent that he would probably not live to that time. Since dead.

52. Emma Mory. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit, September 5, 1867, of administering poison with intent to kill, and sentenced to Detroit House of Correction for ten years.

Pardoned June 1, 1874, on application of Z. R. Brockway and Miss Emma Hall, matron, and on account of youth of the girl at time the crime was committed.

53. Francis M. Williams. Convicted in Justice Court, Branch county, of being a disorderly person, and sent to Detroit House of Correction for want of sureties, 27th September, 1873. *

Pardoned June 22, 1874, on statement of superintendent of House of Correction that he was in a dying condition,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

54. Charles Beardsley. Convicted in Justice Court, Calhoun county, of larceny, in May 1874, and sent to county jail for three months.

Pardoned July 4, 1874, on petition of the magistrate who sentenced him, G. H. French, and others,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

55. Creighton Leonard. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit of larceny, and sentenced in December, 1873, to Detroit House of Correction for six months, and in default of \$500 00 fine, an additional twelve months.

Pardoned July 14, 1874, on petition of Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, Judge of Probate, and other citizens of the county,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

56. William C. McLaughlin. Convicted in Berrien Circuit of murder, and sentenced June 23, 1871, for life.

Pardoned July 14, 1874, on application of the agent of the prison, and on my own personal examination of the man. He is a broken down old man, and cannot live long, and his friends will take him to another State,—conditioned that he will forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

57. Zachariah Layton. Convicted in Lenawee Circuit of rape, and sentenced January 16, 1871, for five years.

Pardoned August 3, 1874, on petition of the Judge, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, J. R. Bennett, J. H. Stone, and other citizens of Adrian, and because I was confident he was not guilty of the offense,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

58. Charles Kelly. Convicted in Justice Court, Hillsdale county, of being a disorderly person, July 23, 1874, and sentenced to Detroit House of Correction for sixty-five days.

Pardoned September 7, 1874, on recommendation of superintendent of House of Correction, and application of boy's uncle from whose house he ran away, and who desired to take him to his home in Pennsylvania.

59. Joseph Sereiter. Convicted of burglary and larceny in Recorder's Court, Detroit, and sentenced April 18, 1872, for three years.

Pardoned August 22, 1874, because he was very sick and would probably not live long in the prison. A mere boy. Has a good record in prison.

60. Philip Johns. Convicted in Washtenaw Circuit of burning property to defraud an insurance company, and sentenced March 16, 1872, for three and a half years.

Pardoned October 5, 1874, on recommendation of E. F. Uhl, Prosecuting Attorney, B. R. Porter, Sheriff, jurors, Col. C. B. Grant, R. A. Beal, W. H. Bessac, and others, his good conduct in prison, and destitute condition of his family,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

61. Jacob Church. Convicted in Calhoun Circuit of manslaughter, and sentenced June 26, 1872, for ten years.

Pardoned November 7, 1874, on recommendation of prison physician, and his statement that the man could not live long. Since dead.

62. Milo C. Holcomb. Convicted in Genesee Circuit of burglary, and sentenced June 25, 1872, for two years.

Pardoned November 16, 1874, on the statement of the agent and physician of the prison that he could live but a short time. Time would expire December 27, 1874.

63. Charles M. Reed. Convicted in Recorder's Court, Detroit, of burglary and larceny, and sentenced July 29, 1869, for seven years.

Pardoned November 23, 1874, conditioned that he would forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors, and on account of his uniform good conduct while in prison, and his exertions on behalf of the agent in aiding him in retaking escaped convicts.

64. James Peck. Convicted in Bay Circuit of assault with intent to murder, and sentenced January 28, 1873, for seven years.

Pardoned December 5, 1874, on statement of prison physician that he was very low with consumption and could not live long. Dead.

65. Daniel Flynn. Convicted in Police Court, Detroit, of petty larceny, and sentenced November 16, 1874, to House of Correction for ninety days.

Pardoned December 9, 1874, on petition of J. B. Wayne, and others. He was a sober, industrious man, and this was his first offense.

66. John Cummings. Convicted in Allegan Circuit of perjury, and sentenced September 12, 1873, for two years.

Pardoned December 22, 1874, on petition of Judge Stone, W. B. Williams, B. F. Stockbridge, and others; sentence had nearly expired,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

67. John Funck. Convicted in Livingston Circuit of robbery, and sentenced April 20, 1871, for five years.

Pardoned December 23, 1874, on account of his good conduct while in prison, and the near expiration of his sentence,—conditioned that he forever abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The following letters, referred to on page 20 of my Message, were received in reply to a circular letter from this office, sent to persons who had interested themselves in the pardon of certain convicts:

SEPTEMBER 15, 1874.

Hon. J. J. BAGLEY, *Governor of the State of Michigan*:

SIR—I cheerfully comply with your wish, in giving you all the information in my possession in regard to the two unfortunate men you so generously pardoned from our State Prison upon representation of myself and others.

The Dane has more than met my expectation since his liberation from prison. He has been very diligent at work, and is earning a respectable living. From books I found in his cell, as well as from the representation of the very excellent chaplain of the prison,

Rev. Dr. Hickock, I found that his mind was touched upon the subject of religion, and by frequent conversations I had with him, after his release, upon the subject of a personal interest in the atonement for sin, I was led to the belief that it would ultimate in a more exalted life. It is with feelings of great pleasure that I inform you that he has since united with the Presbyterian Church, of which he is now an accepted member.

The other man, ———, I cannot say so much for. He went to ———, in the State of ———. About two months after, I received two letters from him, in which he said he was trying to retrieve his lost reputation, since which I have been unable to learn anything definite from him.

Yours very respectfully,

OCTOBER 12, 1874.

HON. JOHN J. BAGLEY, *Governor of Michigan*:

DEAR SIR—Your letter reached me on the 6th, making inquiries concerning the conduct of ———, who was pardoned from the State Prison by you. I regret to say, from all I can learn in reference to him, that his conduct is not what it should be,—that he is out of employment nearly all the time, has been once arrested, and is in the habit of drinking intoxicating liquors.

So far as I can judge, there exists in the community a feeling of disappointment that the efforts of those who sought his pardon, and the clemency of yourself in granting it, should be so poorly requited.

Very truly yours,

OCTOBER 7, 1874.

HON. JOHN J. BAGLEY, *Governor of Michigan*:

DEAR SIR—In answer to your letter of inquiry in regard to ———, I would say since you pardoned him he has had almost steady employment, and was in the employ of one of our best firms for the greater part of the first year, and is now, and has been, ever since leaving them, with a railroad company in a neighboring city.

In regard to his using intoxicating liquors, I would say I have never seen or heard of his using any, but have heard of his declining to drink when asked.

The general feeling with those that understood his case is that you did a good and just act. And by doing that act of justice you have my thanks, with many other friends of his.

Truly yours,

OCTOBER 16, 1874.

HON. JOHN J. BAGLEY, *Detroit, Mich.*:

DEAR SIR—Your favor of October 5th inst., is received, making inquiries about ———, whom you pardoned out of the House of Correction in Detroit in January or the early part of February, 1873. My absence from home has prevented an earlier reply.

1. He never was in the habit of drinking intoxicating liquors, and has drank none since he was pardoned.

2. He has not been arrested since, and has committed no offense, not even the slightest.

3. He has been steadily at work, is honest, industrious, and respected by all his neighbors.

While in the House of Correction he contrived a valuable invention, both ingenious and useful, and upon his release he procured letters patent for the same. As he was a moral and upright young man before he was imprisoned, and has been steady, sober, and industrious since, there is a very general feeling in the community that his pardon restored him his self-respect, and took away much of the feeling of abasement and degradation on account of his imprisonment; that the pardon was worthily and wisely granted, that he was benefited, and society in no wise injured.

I am, yours respectfully,

OCTOBER 20, 1874.

HON. JOHN J. BAGLEY, *Detroit, Mich.*:

DEAR SIR—Since receiving your letter I have made special inquiry as to the conduct and general deportment of ———, the man you pardoned out of State Prison on last Thanksgiving-day, and am happy to inform you that his conduct and deportment are good. He is honest and industrious, and I do not think you will ever have reason to regret putting your signature to his pardon.

Yours truly,

DECEMBER 7, 1874.

JOHN J. BAGLEY, Esq :

DEAR SIR—Your letter of the 7th inst. is received, asking me about the conduct of _____, whom you pardoned out of State Prison at the earnest request of myself and some of my friends. I am happy to inform you that his habits and conduct have been of the very best. I have not known of his drinking a drop of liquor. When he first came out I told him to go and visit his friends for a month or so and then come to me and I would set him to work. He has occupied a responsible position, winter and summer, ever since. He is a good man, and does his duty faithfully. In regard to the feeling of the community, all those that I have had any conversation with about him are well satisfied with his conduct and feel very thankful to you for pardoning him. For my part I am satisfied that you will never have any cause to regret the act that you so kindly done.

Very truly yours,

DECEMBER 7, 1874.

MY DEAR GOVERNOR—Your favor received and fully noted. In regard to _____, I have to answer your questions as follows: He has been generally steady at work until boats have laid up. He has not been arrested since his pardon. He has been in the habit of drinking occasionally and getting drunk. The general feeling in the community in regard to his pardon was good; in fact, all our citizens, without an exception, felt that it was good to pardon him, and all felt that he would then change his life and become a good man. I have answered your questions as you have asked them, and have only to say that he is a sailor, and when engaged in sailing no better young man could be asked for; but when his boat is laid up and navigation closed, he is led astray.

Truly yours,

DECEMBER 12, 1874.

Hon. J. J. BAGLEY, Governor of Michigan :

DEAR SIR—Yours of the 7th received, and would have been answered earlier, except I waited to gain all the information I could about _____.

I have not seen him since your pardon, but I understand his health has been very poor, that he has kept very quietly at home, and has in all respects demeaned himself as a good citizen. He is entirely free from drink, of good habits, and, so far as I can learn, has proved himself entirely worthy of your clemency.

I have never heard of any arrest, nor that he was in the habit of using intoxicating drinks or liquors.

The general feeling of the community (and I have made as full inquiry as possible), is that the effect of his pardon has been good, and that he has in no way forfeited the confidence placed in him.

You may rely that no well informed citizen in any way regrets the pardon, and all are satisfied that it was timely and for the best interests of the public.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

DECEMBER 23, 1874.

Hon. J. J. BAGLEY, Governor of Michigan :

DEAR SIR—Since writing you I have taken further pains to inquire about _____. A prominent citizen of the town of _____ informs me that he knows him well, and that he has made inquiries in reference to him; that his conduct since pardoned has been good, and that he has in every way shown himself worthy the clemency you extended to him.

Yours very respectfully,

DECEMBER 7, 1874.

GOVERNOR BAGLEY :

DEAR SIR—First, I understand from reliable authority that since the pardon of _____ she has been at work and kept her little family together.

The general feeling in the community is that her pardon was all right. If we had had the same knowledge of the facts relative to her that we now have we should have taken the same action in her behalf we did then.

Her little children seem happy at home now, where they had none when she was away. I have just, for the first time, called at her house, and find it in good order and seemingly all right.

DECEMBER 23, 1874.

Hon. J. J. BAGLEY, *Governor of Michigan*:

DEAR SIR—Yours of the 7th inst., post-marked the 21st, has just been received. I have made such inquiries as I could touching the case of ———, whom you pardoned from the House of Correction. In so far as I can learn, he has, for the most part since his release, been industrious and steady. I cannot learn that he has been arrested since his release. I am informed, however, that twice since his pardon he has had drinking sprees. I understand that he is now quite sober and industrious. So far as I have been able to learn the facts, the community think that the pardon was judicious.

Yours truly,

(Letter from a pardoned convict.)

AUGUST 16, 1874.

MR. JOHN MORRIS:

DEAR SIR—I am happy to have the honor of writing you a few lines on this pleasant Sabbath afternoon. I hope that you will forgive my seeming rudeness for not writing before this. I have been very busy ever since I arrived here. Knowing that you take an interest in my welfare, I will let you know what my present condition is. I am receiving two dollars per day, but before I write to you again I will be receiving three and a half dollars per day. Mr. ——— is a very nice man to work for. I have to read the Bible every night after tea with his family, and also mornings, before going to work. I eat at the same table with him and his family. This is a very beautiful little city. I have just returned from church and Sunday-school. My expenses since I came here have not been very great, only twenty cents a week for postage stamps. I wish you would remember me to the Governor, and tell him that I have not tasted a drop of whisky yet, and do not intend to. Please remember me to the chaplain, and also to the deputy; also to the boys in your charge.

Most truly and respectfully yours,

The message was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal "An act to provide for the incorporation of savings associations," approved April 3, 1869, as amended by Act No. 183 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 17, 1871, being chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the charter of the village of Middleville, in Barry county.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 151, being section 4269 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to estates in dower.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation to lower Thornapple Lake, in Barry county.

Mr. Wilson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the election of inspectors of elections.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. A. K. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 144, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3596, 3608, and 3705 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being chapter 136, entitled "Primary Schools."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Saginaw county and the city of Saginaw, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of lands situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 146, entitled

A bill relative to the powers and compensation of prosecuting attorneys in criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. C. Brown, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to convey the title of the State of Michigan in and to certain real estate to Mary Jane McDermot.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 148, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Chapter 240, being section 7478 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of justices of the peace in criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 7447 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of justices of the peace," being act number 97 of the session laws of 1873, approved April 15, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Roscommon, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and organizing the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Houghton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3 and 5, of chapter 125, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to skating parks or rinks, and parks kept for ornament, recreation, or amusement.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Klein, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 152, entitled

A bill to repeal section 26 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of Street Railway Companies," approved March 5th, 1867, being section 2527 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Reed, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office or other proper officer, to issue a patent or deed, to Joseph R. Smith, on primary school land certificate No. 1616.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Houston offered the following :

Resolved, That the Auditor General be and is hereby respectfully requested to furnish this House, at his earliest convenience, the amount of insurance paid on State property for the last ten years, the kind and value of property insured, and the amount of losses paid thereon by insurance companies ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Potter offered the following :

Whereas, It appears from the reports of the proceedings in the Congress of the United States, that Hon. W. B. Washburn, United States Senator in Congress from the State of Massachusetts, has introduced into that body a bill providing for the collection, by the power of the general government, of a class of pretended debts, a portion of which are claimed to be due and owing from the people of certain municipalities, in the State of Michigan, and to have been contracted under certain laws passed in pursuance of the constitution of said State, but which said laws have been declared unconstitutional and void by the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan ;

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the invasion by Congress of the rights of the States and the people is at variance with the spirit of our institutions, and ought to cease. That the question of indebtedness arising upon the issue of township bonds for the purpose of aiding the construction of railroads in this State is a question arising solely under the constitution and laws of the State, and is, therefore, a matter strictly and exclusively within the jurisdiction of the State, to be settled by the Supreme Court thereof ; and for the Congress of the United States to interfere therewith, is a gross invasion of the rights reserved to the people and the State, and against it we enter our solemn protest in the name of the people of the State of Michigan.

Resolved, That all matters of taxation for all purposes, except for the support of the general government, belong exclusively to the people of the several States. That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be, and they are hereby requested to oppose the passage of any law in that body, having for its object the enforcement, by the United States Courts, of an act of a State Legislature which has been declared by the Supreme Court of such State to be unconstitutional and void.

Laid over one day, under the rules.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the *amending words and sentences* of all bills for amending existing laws be underscored before presentation, and the printer for the State be instructed to *rule* all such underscored words and sentences.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The resolution was referred to the committee on printing.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order, Mr. Hollon in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill :

1. Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to provide for platting and recording highways,

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

2. Senate bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," being chapter 104 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to provide for apprenticing destitute children,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

3. Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend sections 70 and 93 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 1036 and 1059 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

J. A. HOLLON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the action of the committee in regard to the first named bill, and the title was laid on the table.

The second named bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House granted the request of the committee in regard to the last men-

tioned bill, and leave was granted the committee to sit again for its consideration.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until half past two o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Metcalf for the afternoon.

The House resumed the order of

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 323. By Mr. Hale: Petition of W. S. Granger and 58 others of the township of Oneida, Eaton county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 324. By Mr. E. A. Brown: Petition of J. J. Webb and 92 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on liquor traffic:

The special committee on liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill for the taxation of the traffic in spirituous or intoxicating liquors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—In compliance with a resolution of the House of Representatives, adopted on the 2d instant, I have the honor to transmit herewith a statement of the population of the several counties of the State in 1860, 1870, and 1874, as appears by the census of those years, and the increase or decrease, and per cent of increase or decrease of 1870 as compared with 1860, of 1874 as compared with 1870, and of 1874 as compared with 1860.

Very respectfully,

E. G. D. HOLDEN,
Secretary of State.

By WM. CROSBY, *Deputy.*

The following is the schedule:

COUNTIES.	POPULATION.						
	TOTAL.			PER CENT OF INCREASE.*			
	1860.	1870.	1	1874 over 1860.	1870 over 1860.	1874 over 1870.	1874 over 1860.
STATE	749,118	1,184,283	1,	584,918	56.08†	12.84†	73.09†
Alcona.....	186	766		1,029	554.85†	58.48†	556.11†
Allegan.....	16,087	82,105		14,294	89.50†	55†	101.39†
Alpena.....	290	2,758		4,517	600.84†	74.41†	1,567.56†
Antrim.....	179	1,385		5,081	1,008.98†	68.72†	1,710.05†
Barry.....	18,868	22,300		8,198	60.19†	57†	59.19†
Bay.....	8,164	15,900		21,685	402.52†	56.17†	684.98†
Benzie.....		2,184		2,688		21.98†	
Berrien.....	22,873	85,104		12,651	56.58†	-21†	56.58†
Branch.....	20,981	24,227		4,745	25.00†	-1.91†	22.12†
Calhoun.....	29,664	24,671		6,091	28.70†	-3.50†	20.60†
Cass.....	17,731	21,096		2,804	19.04†	-4.70†	15.63†
Charlevoix.....		1,724		2,890		36.69†	
Cheboygan.....	517	2,197		2,553	394.95†	89.78†	483.61†
Chippewa.....	1,606	1,690		547	5.42†	33.44†	25.31†
Clare.....		866		1,354		280.34†	
Clinton.....	18,918	22,851		9,745	51.50†	8.54†	76.02†
Delta.....	1,172	2,441		3,849	109.27†	94.22†	204.52†
Eaton.....	18,478	25,168		10,481	59.72†	6.96†	68.31†
Emmet.....	1,169	1,911		122	5.39†	5.00†	10.70†
Genesee.....	22,498	88,893		12,070	50.65†	1.90†	58.64†
Grand Traverse.....	1,898	4,448		4,068	245.48†	20.89†	215.94†
Griatiot.....	4,042	11,808		9,844	192.13†	17.59†	248.54†
Hillsdale.....	25,975	31,688		5,691	22.41†	-89†	22.94†
Houghton.....	9,284	12,892		2,796	50.38†	37.09†	106.00†
Huron.....	8,166	9,048		3,799	185.87†	38.32†	278.06†
Ingham.....	17,485	25,288		11,758	44.92†	15.59†	67.43†
Ionia.....	16,882	27,675		11,694	68.80†	2.53†	70.09†
Iosco.....	175	8,175		4,607	1,714.28†	50.61†	2,662.57†
Isabella.....	1,449	4,118		4,616	185.08†	47.81†	319.88†
Jackson.....	26,671	36,049		11,817	85.12†	4.40†	42.42†
Kalamazoo.....	24,646	32,055		7,088		69†	30.99†
Kalamazoo.....		424		1,359		196.98†	
Kent.....	130,716	50,410		81,955	64.11†	24.32†	104.03†
Keweenaw.....		4,208		5,418		28.74†	
Lake.....		518		1,818		230.86†	
Lapeer.....	14,754	21,942		10,398	44.65†	17.73†	70.39†
Leelanaw.....	2,166	4,577		2,873	112.05†	9.91†	126.13†
Lenawee.....	88,112	46,601		7,972	19.64†	1.05†	20.91†
Livingston.....	16,251	19,385		2,478	14.74†	5.74†	30.63†
Mackinac.....	1,698	1,715		536	-11.50†	-12.75†	28.79†
Macomb.....	22,448	27,619		5,462	20.90†	4.48†	28.91†
Manistee.....	975	6,074		7,496	523.97†	89.44†	708.32†
Manitou.....	1,042	691		-355	-14.49†	-26.28†	-36.94†
Marquette.....	2,831	14,278		19,125	406.18†	58.70†	677.90†
Mason.....	681	3,266		4,580	293.02†	64.14†	545.12†
Mecosta.....	970	6,645		6,162	481.95†	61.77†	941.44†
Menominee.....		1,695		3,490		64.10†	
Midland.....	801	5,339		4,538		61.62†	562.42†
Missaukee.....		180		606		268.15†	
Monroe.....	21,688	27,475		8,618	27.94†	9.89†	89.44†
Monicaum.....	8,988	12,641		10,647	248.77†	52.59†	424.57†
Muskegon.....	8,947	14,692		15,423	277.22†	30.10†	390.57†
Newaygo.....	2,760	7,393		6,998	164.20†	20.70†	217.21†
Oakland.....	28,281	40,908		179	6.91†	-6.90†	-4.6†
Oceana.....	1,816	7,322		6,544	297.68†	15.73†	360.25†
Ontonagon.....	4,563	2,544		-2,168	-87.07†	-15.44†	-47.32†
Oscoda.....	27	2,164		6,198	7,692.59†	195.43†	22,898.86†
Otsewa.....	13,216	26,850		16,714	101.66†	12.80†	126.47†
Presque Isle.....	26	853		1,568	1,265.38†	254.92†	6,111.58†
Saginaw.....	12,063	30,098		25,716	293.05†	23.81†	281.85†
Sault.....	7,069	14,565		8,696	91.66†	11.35†	114.39†
Schoolcraft.....	78	709		1,312	924.36†	61.45†	1,558.84†
Shiawassee.....	12,240	20,822		9,424	68.61†		76.21†
St. Clair.....	26,604	36,759		14,084	28.17†	10.99†	59.28†
St. Joseph.....	21,262	26,472		4,444	28.56†	-1.29†	21.84†
Tuscola.....	4,886	12,715		12,112	180.69†	22.98†	247.89†
Van Buren.....	10,224	22,685		12,982	69.40†	1.11†	91.51†
Washtenaw.....	25,686	41,440		8,087	13.12†	-6.52†	8.51†
Wayne.....	70,047	210,068		69,856	57.80†	21.69†	91.80†
Wexford.....		650		8,011		589.22†	

* The minus sign before a number indicates a decrease.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House (the Senate concurring), That the chairman of the railroad committees of the Senate and House, together with the Railroad Commissioner, be requested to act as a joint committee to arrange for the transportation of the committees on the Asylums and other State Institutions to visit and inspect the same.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to repeal section 413 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 6 of act No. 122 of the session laws of 1861, being an act entitled "An act to provide means for the redemption of the bonds of the State maturing January first, eighteen hundred and sixty-three," approved March 11, 1861;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take effect March 1, 1875, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 27, entitled,

A bill to provide for the use of the proceeds of the sale of educational lands in defraying the expenses of the State government,

Which has passed the Senate by a vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out in line 10 of section 1, the word "corporation," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "city,"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Daly moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow,	Garfield,	Lee,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Neff,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Potter,	Watkins,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Preston,	West,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Reed,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wilson,
Craig,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Smith,	Speaker,
Daly,			

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of "An act to create a Board of Swamp Land

Commissioners, and to repeal act No. 76, of the session laws of 1867," being section 4003 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 186, of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 93, of the revised statutes of 1846," entitled "Of courts held by justices of the peace," approved Feb. 13, 1855, being section 5434 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to bonds or recognizances on appeals.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 1 of the revised statutes of 1846, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, being compiler's section 5 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the distribution of the statutes of the State.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Keyes, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons for the purpose of hunting, fishing and trapping.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. McLachlin, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of hospitals or asylums, in cases where valuable grants or emoluments have been made to trustees for such purposes," being chapter 104, section 3032, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to provide for apprenticing destitute children,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hale,	Neff,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howard,	Potter,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett.	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,

Mr. Craig,
Daly,
Dow,
Garfield,

Mr. Keyes,
Kilbourne,
Klein,
Lay,

Mr. Reed,
Remer,
Rich,
Robbins,

Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Wilson,
Yeckley,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That the apportionment of Representatives be made as follows: In accordance with the letter and spirit of the constitution allow one Representative each to five counties having less than a ratio but more than a moiety; eleven to twenty-eight organized counties having less than a moiety each, and apportion eighty-four Representatives to the remaining thirty-seven organized counties, as the Constitution directs, as nearly equal as may be in agreement with the annexed schedule.

SCHEDULE.

Basis of 18,848.		COUNTIES.	Excess Over Ratio, per County.	Excess or Repre-	Ratio Per 14,000 Basis and Moiety.
2	80,111	Monroe	8,481	55	
2	46,084	Lenawee	4,084	61	
2	81,568	Hillsdale	4,356	68	
1	20,726	Branch	12,886	68	
1	28,906	St. Joseph	12,560	68	
1	20,525	Cass	7,185	69	20,525
2	35,929	Berrien	8,849	14	11,843
2	29,156	Van Buren	2,475	78	
2	32,284	Kalamazoo	5,604	43	
2	35,455	Calhoun	8,975	27	11,551
2	37,988	Jackson	11,888	84	12,682
2	36,723	Washtenaw	12,043	07	
10	144,906	Wayne	11,500	99	
2	28,805	Macomb	1,675	05	
2	38,083	Oakland	11,402	41	12,004
1	20,829	Livingston	8,989	54	20,723
2	29,198	Ingham	2,513	06	
2	26,907	Eaton	227	08	
1	22,051	Barry	8,711	25	
2	33,881	Allegan	5,701	00	
2	29,929	Ottawa	3,249	64	
4	62,671	Kent	2,211	67	
2	26,376	Ionia	1,396	83	
1	28,651	Clinton	10,921	88	
1	21,778	Shiawassee	8,438	96	
2	34,588	Genesee	7,588	04	
1	22,140	Le	11,300	79	
3	40,868	St	688	66	
1	16,392	Os	2,952	92	
1	18,998	Tr	8,958	96	
8	48,409	Os	8,889	04	
2	24,882	Es	10,492	16	
1	12,886	Gr	546	66	
1	20,615	M	7,475	07	20,615
1	19,875	M	6,085	67	19,875
1	27,345	M	8,605	78	
1	19,000	H	5,000	80	

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5 to counties having less than a moiety but more than a ratio.

11 to counties having less than a moiety.

18 added to those counties having largest representation, made under an actual moiety basis.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,
The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Bailey offered the following:

Resolved, That the standing committees on the several State institutions be, and are hereby requested to ascertain the amount paid for insurance on or by each of said institutions, the date of the issue of the last policies, and the expiration of the same, and report to this House at their earliest convenience.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "policies" the words, "the cost of insurance for the last ten years."

Which motion prevailed.

The resolution was then adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The House went into committee of whole on the general order,

Mr. Hollon in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend sections 70 and 93 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, being sections 1036 and 1059 of Compiled Laws of 1871,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

JOS. A. HOLLON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House took up the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend sections 70 and 93 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 1036 and 1059, Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows.

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Garfield,	Klein,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Struble,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hale,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Packard,	West,

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Howland,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Craig,	Huggett,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Rich,	Speaker,
Daly,	Keyes,	Robbins,	

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Mr. Ferguson, 1
 Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Van Aken moved that the House adjourn.

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker then declared the House adjourned until February 15th inst., at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Lansing, Monday, February 15, 1875.

8 o'clock P. M.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss A. Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Backus, Bailey, Billings, C. Brown, Campbell, F. O. Clark, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Howard, Huggett, Hunt, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lee, Livingstone, Mercer, Metcalf, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Ransom, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Stowe, Watkins, Wiley, and Wood.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Norton until Wednesday.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. C. Brown until Wednesday.

The Speaker announced that, unless objection was made, the absentees would be considered excused for the day.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 16, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Fassett.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs, Backus, Bailey, F. O. Clark, Ferguson, E. H. Green, Gerrish, Howard, and Metcalf.

Mr. Benjamin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. F. O. Clark until to-morrow.

Mr. Knight asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Metcalf until to-morrow.

Mr. Sweetland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Backus until to-morrow.

Mr. Remer asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Howard until to-morrow.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson until to-morrow.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green until to-morrow.

Mr. Taylor asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bailey until to-morrow.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 325. By Mr. Hewitt: Petition of L. E. Russ, N. S. Sharp and 59 others, citizens of the township of Adams, in Hillsdale county, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, but amended so as to make it more readily enforced;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 326. By Mr. Ransom: Petition of F. B. Gilbert, C. C. Rood, James B. Wilson and others, directors and officers of the Fulton street cemetery association, in the county of Kent, asking for a special act permitting the sale of lots in said cemetery in cases where said lots are delinquent in the payment of assessments thereon for 7 years or more;

Referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

No. 327. By Mr. Goodyear: Remonstrance of John Carnet, I. N. Keeler and 109 others, against the repeal of the charter of the village of Middleville;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 328. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of George Prichard, Allen Green and 71 others, citizens of Barry county, to authorize Geo. H. Abrams to construct and maintain a head-gate at the outlet of Wall Lake, in Barry county;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 329. By Mr. Walker: Petition of J. H. Faxon of Duplain, Clinton county, praying for the repeal of the law taxing mortgaged property;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 330. By Mr. Walker: Petition of J. H. Faxon, of Duplain, Michigan, praying for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of common schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 331. By Mr. Walker: Petition of Nelson Peterson and 40 others, citizens

of Clinton county, requesting the Legislature to petition Congress to appropriate to each union soldier the sum of \$200 in money instead of 160 acres of land, as proposed;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 332. By Mr. Knight: Petition of Zachariah Fletcher, Dr. Harrison, V. C. Smith, and 96 other citizens of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, Michigan, asking the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 333. By Mr. Daly: Petition of Edwin H. Stephens in relation to bounty;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 334. By Mr. Daly: Petition of Joseph Corns in relation to savings banks.

On demand of Mr. Walker,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your petitioner, Joseph Corns, of the city of Detroit, respectfully shows, that in the year 1849, the Legislature of this State incorporated eleven persons, under the name of the "Detroit Savings Fund Institute,"—See Session Laws of 1849, page 52. The corporation thus created was not required to have any capital stock, but the corporators and their successors were authorized to receive money on deposit from mechanics, laboring men, minors and others, invest the same, in the manner prescribed, and pay over the entire net earnings to the depositors; the corporators were mere trustees with nothing invested, and their beneficiaries were the depositors. The design of the Legislature was to organize a savings bank, the stock of which should be its deposits, the net income of the latter to be divided *pro rata* among those whose money was to be the source of revenue. The institute commenced business, in the city of Detroit, about the year 1849, and on Jan. 1, 1871, had accumulated in profits over \$134,000, as appears by the report of its cashier to the Legislature.—See House Journal 1871, p. 83. During all of this long period, from 1849 to 1871, the bank had simply paid on deposits five per cent interest, but did not make any other division of profits. In July 1871, the bank re-organized as a stock bank, under the name of The Detroit Savings Bank, with a capital of \$200,000, the bank as re-organized receiving all of the assets of the original bank. The identical persons who were corporators in the old bank, and they alone, became, under the re-organization, the corporators in the new bank. The re-organization took place under sec. 2251 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, which, while it permits the re-organization and allows the new bank to hold the assets of the old one, it expressly provides that the rights of the old depositors shall not in any manner be prejudiced thereby. Notwithstanding the radical nature of this proceeding, by which not only the mutual character of the old bank, but also its very existence, was utterly destroyed, and its good will of twenty years growth, together with its assets, were transferred to a new organization in which the depositors were to have no share in the earnings; all this was done without one word of warning to the depositors, and in the most surreptitious manner. As an illustration of the stealth and secrecy observed, and of the studied effort to keep the public in the dark as to this proceeding, your peti-

tioner would cite the circumstance, that at the time of the re-organization, a public record was marred to enjoin silence upon the Detroit press. The law required that the articles of re-organization should be recorded in the Wayne county registry of deeds. The articles were recorded, but the "re-organizers," fearing that possibly the papers might publish the fact, prevailed upon the register to give his warning to the press by writing across the face of the record the words "do not publish," "do not publish."

It is commonly reported that Sec. 2251, permitting the re-organization, was enacted by the procurement of the corporators of the old bank, and it is openly charged that the end sought by this legislation was the confiscation of the \$134,000 above referred to. It is further charged that this sum is used as a part of the capital stock of the new bank. These charges have been published by the Detroit press, and, notwithstanding their damaging character, have never been publicly denied.

Since the re-organization not a dollar of the large sum constituting these profits has been paid to the depositors of the old bank; but, on the contrary, their claims have been superciliously ignored. As the bulk of these depositors belong to the laboring classes, whose purses are not sufficiently plethoric to carry on an expensive and protracted litigation, the "re-organizers" undoubtedly think they can pursue this course of action with impunity.

Your petitioner kept a steady deposit in the old bank of about \$1,200, from 1864 until the re-organization, waiting from year to year for his share of the profits, but waiting in vain. Not a dollar of them, excepting interest at five per cent, has he ever received. Since the re-organization he has submitted his claim to the directors of the new bank, but these gentlemen have absolutely refused to recognize it. In doing so they did not reject his particular claim, but meant by their action to establish a precedent to be followed in all other cases. The only remedy your petitioner has in the courts is an expensive, never-ending chancery suit, and neither he nor any other depositor would have the hardihood to pursue it. He therefore on behalf of himself and of his fellow depositors appeals to your honorable body for redress, and asks the protection of the strong arm of a "reform" Legislature against an act of flagrant rapacity and injustice.

Your petitioner is fully aware of the gravity of the charges which he makes, and admits that they should not be entertained without clear proof of their correctness. He therefore respectfully asks the appointment of a committee to investigate them, and to report such legislation as they may deem proper in view of the facts which their labors may develop.

And your petitioner will ever pray, etc.

JOSEPH CORNS.

On motion of Mr. Knight,

The petition was referred to a special committee of five to be appointed by the Speaker.

No. 335. By Mr. Potter: Petition of D. T. Bommerscheiner and 131 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 336. By Mr. Moshier: Petition of L. H. Pierce, S. Q. Harris, and 80 others, citizens of Genesee county, relative to the practice of medicine and surgery.

On demand of Mr. Moshier,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Hon. the Senate and House of Representatives in Assembly convened :

We, the undersigned citizens of Linden and vicinity, believing that if the bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Thomas, Senate bill No. 6, regulating the practice of medicine, should pass and become a law, in its present form, would open a door by which gross injustice might arise to many, through favoritism on the one side, and prejudice on the other, and believing, also, that no law should be placed on the statutes of this State, except it be for the benefit of the whole.

We would, therefore, most earnestly, yet respectfully, ask your honorable body to modify the bill introduced by the Hon. Senator Thomas, before its passage, by engrafting therein the resolutions of the physicians of the city of Detroit, on the 26th of January, 1875. Also, a section requiring all physicians permitted to practice medicine, surgery, and obstetrics, by said board of censors, to keep an accurate record of each and every case treated by each of them, to wit: The symptoms and diagnosis, the remedies used, the reputed strength of each, the doses of each, and how often administered, as also the result of each case, and semi-annually leave with the register of the county, a certified copy of all such cases so treated, on oath, to be kept on file by such recorder, for the inspection of the public, and to be used as evidence in certain cases, if necessary. Also, to attach a section, that, if any person shall be convicted of malpractice, he shall, in addition to the present legal remedies, be precluded from the privilege of practicing medicine, surgery, or obstetrics in this State hereafter. Also, a section requiring of all and every person putting up either compound or simple remedies, in either packages, dry, or liquid in bottles, pills in boxes, in any other form, to place thereon a printed label containing the different ingredients each remedy contains, and their proportions, before offering them to the public on sale, under the same rules and restrictions as are applied to physicians attempting to practice without a license from the Board of Regents. Believing that a law of this character would be better calculated to protect the largest number, and do the greatest amount of good to the greatest number, we, as in duty bound, will ever pray, etc.

The petition was referred to the committee on public health.

No. 337. By Mr. Townsend: Memorial of the president and trustees of the village of Imlay City to amend their charter;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 338. By Mr. Hull: Petition of J. A. Russell, Wm. Sadler, and 25 others, asking to provide the necessary means for the establishment and maintenance of a dental school in connection with the medical department of the University at Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on the University and Normal School.

No. 339. By Mr. Walton: Petition of William R. Marsh and 5 others to establish a State Medical Board;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 340. By Mr. Harden: Petition of Theodore Castor and 33 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 341. By Mr. Neff: Petition of John Olee and 34 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 342. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of W. P. Wilcox, John O. Hadley, G. W.

Eaton, and 42 others for the organization of the county of Crawford and the townships of Grayling, Crawford, and Center Plains;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 343. By Mr. Rich: Petition of C. S. Stockwell, J. C. Rose, R. S. Hulton, and 35 others asking the Legislature to provide for a County Board of Education.

On demand of Mr. Rich,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned, inhabitants of the State of Michigan, believing that the abolition of the county superintendency system, without making provisions for the examination of teachers and school visitation, other than those in use previous to May 1st, 1867, would be detrimental to the educational interests of the State, would respectfully petition to your honorable body to substitute for the present law a law providing for a county board of education, to consist of one member from each State Representative District of the county, together with a chairman to be elected by the county at large, with powers to examine teachers and grant certificates which shall be valid for one, two, and three years; would recommend that the law limit the board to not less than two days in each Representative District for the examination of teachers; that the local superintendent in each district be charged with the duty of visiting schools in his jurisdiction; that it fix absolutely his compensation *per diem*, and shall limit his time to not less than one day for each school district in his jurisdiction; also that the reports to the State be made by the chairman of the board.

The petition was referred to the committee on education.

No. 344. By Mr. Houston: Petition of Divello Hubbard, Lewis Townsend, and 170 citizens of Calhoun county, Michigan, asking the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 345. By Mr. Houston: Petition of Wm. F. Hewitt, John R. Stage, and 260 others, citizens of Calhoun county, asking the Legislature to abolish the privilege or franchise of the so-called gravel road, extending north from Marshall, Calhoun county, to the junction, a distance of 8 miles;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 346. By Mr. Houston: Petition of Harvey Randall, J. W. Failing, C. G. Waldo and 100 others of Tekonsha, Michigan, to abolish the county superintendency system;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 347. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of R. C. French, Henry Sprig, Edwin Avery, R. E. Kelsey, and 16 others, citizens of Newaygo, Ionia, and Kent counties, praying for the repeal of so much of section 9 of chapter 45 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 as lays a specific tax upon insurance premiums collected by the life insurance companies of other States within this State;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 348. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of Hampton A. Rich, J. C. Parker, C. H. Lewis, H. W. Calkins, and 10 others, citizens of Kent and Ionia counties, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 349. By Mr. Huggett: Petition of L. B. Morgan, R. B. Hughes, P. E. Trowbridge, and 82 other citizens of Eaton county asking the Legislature to abolish the privilege or franchises of the so-called gravel road extending north from the city of Marshall, in Calhoun county, to the junction, a distance of 8 miles;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 350. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of C. Rynd, John W. Finch, Henry Hart, and 114 other citizens of Adrian, asking for the establishment and maintenance of a dental school in connection with the medical department of the University at Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on the University and Normal School.

No. 351. By Mr. Harris: Petition of B. F. Curtis, Peter Van Weelden, Walter Fisher, and 121 others of Ottawa county, asking an amendment to the fish law.

On demand of Mr. Harris,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned citizens of Grand Haven, Ottawa county, respectfully represent to your honorable body that while we agree with the general scope and purpose of the laws of this State for the protection of fish in the waters thereof, yet the provisions of act No. 49, of the session laws of 1873, operate harshly and injuriously upon those residing on and near the mouth of Grand river, its marshes and bayous. In our judgment, the prohibition contained in said act does not tend to the protection of the fish in the waters of the State, and it at the same time prevents the citizens of this vicinity from enjoying a most desirable luxury and necessity during the fall, winter, and spring months. The amount of fish that could or would be caught by seines or nets during the spring, fall, and winter months, would not, and could not, affect the fish supply in the marshes and bayous of said river, permanently, or perceptibly.

Your petitioners would therefore respectfully ask your honorable body to so amend said act No. 49, of the session laws of 1873, as to except the marshes and bayous on and near the mouth of Grand river.

February 6, 1875.

No. 352. By Mr. Harris: Petition of C. A. Van Slyck, James A. Hand, Geo. Lather, and 56 others, citizens of Ottawa county, relative to assessment of personal property and equalization for the purpose of taxation;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 353. By Mr. Meyer: Petition of J. Cummins and 37 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 354. By Mr. Hart: Petition of E. D. Wheaton, C. W. Rider, and C. C. Fouch, asking for the organization of a new judicial circuit, to be known as the 21st judicial circuit;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 355. By Mr. McLachlin: Petition of Lewis Christie and 46 others, asking for the repeal of the act establishing the office of county superintendent of schools, and that two township inspectors with the township clerk constitute a board to inspect teachers;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 356. By Mr. Morse: Petition of Gerrit R. Cruson and 27 others, residents of LaFayette, Mich., relative to a certain ditch in Gratiot county;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 357. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of Peter Gagnon and other residents and tax-payers of the township of Webster, asking to vacate the organization of Webster and attach to the township of Portage, Houghton county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 358. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of F. L. Weppard and other residents and tax-payers of Houghton, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 359. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of tax-payers of the township of Huron, in Houghton county, for vacation of the township, and asking to be attached to the township of Portage, Houghton county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 360. The Speaker announced the following communication and resolutions:

PIONEER SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 5th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

SIR—You will confer a favor by laying before the House of Representatives, at your earliest convenience, the enclosed certified copies of preambles and resolutions, unanimously adopted by the Pioneer Society of the State of Michigan at its annual meeting, held in the city of Lansing on the 3d instant.

Respectfully,

HARRIET A. TENNEY,
Recording Secretary.

The following are the preambles and resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE PIONEER SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, FEBRUARY 3, 1875.

WHEREAS, The Detroit Pioneer Society, in the latter part of the year 1872, recommended and urged upon the State Legislature the appointment of a State Historiographer.

AND WHEREAS, A memorial was sent to the Legislature by the President of that society, which set forth many of the reasons in favor of such an appointment, which memorial is found at length in the daily printed journal of the Senate of January 23, 1873.

AND WHEREAS, A bill was presented and reported, and favorable proceedings were taken on the subject at that session, in the Senate and perhaps in the House, yet the Legislature omitted to create such office, and no appointment was made as proposed.

AND WHEREAS, This society deems it desirable, and of much public importance, that such office should be created, and a suitable person appointed thereto, with proper powers and duties; therefore,

Resolved, as the sense of this Society, That we recommend, and urge upon the Legislature, the creation of such office, and the appointment of a State Historiographer, in order that the original and other materials, wherever they may be found, may be collected together and arranged in proper order for preservation, and also for printing, if it should afterwards be deemed desirable to print them.

Resolved, That the Secretary forward certified copies of this preamble and resolution to the President of the Senate, and to the Speaker of the House, who are hereby requested to lay them before those bodies respectively.

THE PIONEER SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 5, 1875. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Pioneer Society of the State of Michigan, at its annual meeting held in the city of Lansing on the 3d instant.

HARRIET A. TENNEY, *Recording Secretary.*

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE PIONEER SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN FEBRUARY 8, 1875.

WHEREAS, This society is now in full operation, and we propose to do what we can to collect for preservation whatever historical materials may be within our reach in regard to our Territory and State, and especially such as relate to the first fifty years.

AND WHEREAS, We propose to continue the society as a State institution, and one which should be fostered and assisted by the State government itself; therefore,

Resolved, That we most respectfully ask the Legislature to make a small appropriation, say five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid over to the treasurer of this society, and be expended under the direction of this society in defraying its necessary expenses.

Resolved, That the secretary forward certified copies of this resolution to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House, who are respectfully requested to lay them before those bodies respectively.

THE PIONEER SOCIETY OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, Feb. 5, 1875. }

I hereby certify that the foregoing preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Pioneer Society of the State of Michigan, at its annual meeting, held in the city of Lansing, on the 3d instant.

HARRIET A. TENNEY,
Recording Secretary.

The communication and resolutions were referred to the committee on State affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 11, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives* :

SIR—In reply to a resolution of the House, adopted on the 5th inst., I have the honor to state that it appears from the books of this office that during the last ten years there has been paid from the State treasury, for insurance of the State library, the sum of \$2,050.00 ; nothing has been received into the State treasury on account of losses paid by insurance companies during the period named. No other account of insurance of State property appears on the books of this office.

Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The communication was laid on the table.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, and attach the same to the township of Portage, in Houghton county ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 5 of an act entitled " An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, being section 6443, chapter 202, of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Also,

A bill to organize a School of Mines in the " University of Michigan," and making appropriations therefor ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 2857, chapter 95, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the commencing of suits at law and in equity ;

Also,

A bill to provide for a grant of State swamp lands to aid in construction of a railroad from L'Anse, Houghton county, to Portage Lake, thence to the Central Mine, Eagle Harbor.

Mr. I. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Crawford, and the townships of Grayling, Centre Plains, and Crawford, lying therein.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to republish those volumes of the Michigan Reports that are out of print, or to contract for a sufficient number of copies for the use of the State with any parties proposing to republish the same.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to facilitate the inspection of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 2090, being an act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State," and to add one new section thereto.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair ;

Also,

A bill to provide for a tax and to regulate the traffic in spirituous and malt liquors.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county ;

Also,

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Banks, in Bay county.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3, 9, 10, 14, and 16 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Grand Rapids," approved March 15, 1871 ;

Also,

A bill to authorize "The Fulton Street Cemetery Association of the city of Grand Rapids," to sell unoccupied lots and parts of lots for the non-payment of assessments levied thereon.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the acts of the Riverside Cemetery Company, of Hastings.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the 9th subdivision of section 27, being section 6101, and chapter 192 of the Compiled Laws, relative to judgments and executions ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 18, being section 4512, chapter 160, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the partition and distribution of estates ;

Also,

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to regulate and define the duties of the judges of probate in certain cases," approved April 15, 1873, and being act No. 95 of the session laws of 1873 ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 38, being section 4359, chapter 154, of the Compiled Laws, relative to wills of real and personal estate ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 4, being section 5030, chapter 175, of the Compiled Laws, entitled, "The Circuit Courts ;"

Also,

A bill to amend section 10, being section (1212) one thousand two hundred and twelve, chapter 150, of the Compiled Laws, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages ;

Also,

A bill authorizing the appointment of guardians for females under the age of 21 years who are married ;

Also,

A bill for the protection of the rights of laborers.

Mr. Townsend gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Imlay City.

Mr. Van Raalte gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Holland, Ottawa county.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from each of the townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Frost ;

Also,

A bill to organize the county of Gladwin.

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the State and subordinate granges and county or district councils of the order of Patrons of Husbandry.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal act number 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to amend act number 76, of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867, by adding six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 ;"

Also,

A bill to repeal act No. 51 of the session laws of 1872, entitled "An act to amend sections 15 and 18 of act No. 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to amend act No. 76 of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867,' by adding a six new sections thereto to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19," approved April 5, 1869.

Mr. Bartow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to fees of justices of the peace.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 2836 to 2891, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the organization of mining and manufacturing companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on manufactures.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill for the incorporation of manufacturing companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on manufactures.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Battle Creek.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to manufacture and sell illuminating gas.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 159, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Wenona.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 160, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Bay City.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Cole, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 161, entitled,

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of title 2 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Manistee," approved March 15, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 162, entitled,

A bill to provide for the payment of specific taxes by individuals and partnerships now or heretofore engaged in mining iron ore.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Packard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 163, entitled,

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of cattle passages under highways.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 16, 22, 31, 34, 38, 39, and 56 of an act to incorporate the city of Hastings, approved March 11, 1871, as amended by act No. 228 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved April 2, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 1 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, being compiler's section 5 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the distribution of the Statutes of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to amend section 186 of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes of 1846," entitled "Of courts held by Justices of the Peace," approved February 13, 1855, being section 5434 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 167, entitled

A bill to authorize "The Fulton Street Cemetery Association of the city of Grand Rapids" to sell unoccupied lots and parts of lots for the non-payment of assessments levied thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Ransom, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 168, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 5, 8, 10, and 11 of an act entitled "An act to establish and organize a police court in the city of Grand Rapids," approved April 30, 1873, and to add four new sections thereto, to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, and 17 thereof, and to provide that the section of said act now known as section 14 shall hereafter stand as section 18 thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Ransom, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Grand Rapids, to be called "The Superior Court of Grand Rapids."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 170, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 17 of "An act to create a Board of State

Swamp Land Commissioners and to repeal act number 76 of the Session Laws of 1867," being sections 4003 and 4009 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following:

Whereas, It appears from the reports of the proceedings in the Congress of the United States, that Hon. W. B. Washburn, United States Senator in Congress from the State of Massachusetts, has introduced into that body a bill providing for the collection, by the power of the general government, of a class of pretended debts, a portion of which are claimed to be due and owing from the people of certain municipalities, in the State of Michigan, and to have been contracted under certain laws passed in pursuance of the constitution of said State, but which said laws have been declared unconstitutional and void by the Supreme Court of the State of Michigan;

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the invasion by Congress of the rights of the States and the people is at variance with the spirit of our institutions, and ought to cease. That the question of indebtedness arising upon the issue of township bonds for the purpose of aiding the construction of railroads in this State is a question arising solely under the constitution and laws of the State, and is, therefore, a matter strictly and exclusively within the jurisdiction of the State, to be settled by the Supreme Court thereof; and for the Congress of the United States to interfere therewith, is a gross invasion of the rights reserved to the people and the State, and against it we enter our solemn protest in the name of the people of the State of Michigan.

Resolved, That all matters of taxation for all purposes, except for the support of the general government, belong exclusively to the people of the several States. That our Senators and Representatives in Congress be, and they are hereby requested to oppose the passage of any law in that body, having for its object the enforcement, by the United States Courts, of an act of a State Legislature which has been declared by the Supreme Court of such State to be unconstitutional and void.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The resolution was laid on the table.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Hewitt in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills and joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to so amend an act entitled "An act to enable honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, to acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States;"

2. House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Com-

pany across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan ;

3. House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock ;

4. House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies of corporate powers for certain purposes ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

5. House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville, Barry county ;

6. House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Jackson ;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that they be recommitted to the committee on municipal corporations.

The committee have also had under consideration the following joint resolution and bill :

7. House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors disabled by the loss of a limb or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required ;

8. House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

ALEXANDER HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named joint resolutions, and the third and fourth named bills were placed on the order of the third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House concurred in the recommendations of the committee of the whole as to the fifth and sixth named bills, and they were recommitted to the committee on municipal corporations.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the seventh named joint resolution,

The same were concurred in, and the joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the eighth named bill,

The same were concurred, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Little, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

Resolved, That hereafter the sessions of this House commence at half-past nine in the morning, at half-past two in the afternoon, and at seven o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Walker moved to amend by striking out the words " and at seven o'clock in the evening."

Mr. Van Aken moved to lay the amendment upon the table ;
Which motion prevailed, carrying with it the resolution.
On motion of Mr. Goodyear,
The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.
The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 361. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of L. P. Hubbard, Putnam Root and 54 others, relative to the taxation of personal property ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 362. By Mr. Hale: Petition of A. C. Dutton, F. C. Culty, P. R. Hurd, and 16 others, citizens of Eaton Rapids, asking amendments to the prohibitory liquor law for the purpose of making it more efficient ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 363. By Mr. Hale: Petition of L. F. Harris, Geo. Sawyer, and 40 other citizens of Hamlin and Eaton Rapids townships, asking for amendments to the prohibitory liquor law ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 364. By Mr. Hale: Petition of M. Corey, H. E. Wells and 52 other citizens of Eaton Rapids and vicinity, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 365. By Mr. Hale: Petition of F. W. Clawson, A. C. Dutton and 30 others, electors of the townships of Eaton Rapids and Hamlin, asking for the establishment and maintenance of a dental school in connection with the medical department of the university at Ann Arbor ;

Referred to the committee on the university and normal school.

No. 366. By Mr. Van Raalte: Petition of R. R. Wilkinson, Mathew Crofoot, James W. Gelihet and 45 others, citizens of Jamestown, Ottawa county, relative to taxation :

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 367. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of Jacob Thomas, Stephen S. Reed and 50 others, asking for a State road in Osceola county ;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 368. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of R. W. Bellamy, W. R. Wilson and 55 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 369. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of J. K. Hewitt, J. C. Smith, and 23 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 370. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of H. C. Booth and 16 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 371. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of Daniel McGovern, L. O. Paste, and 42 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 372. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of Wm. Hagar, Joseph Giles, and 13 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 373. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of J. P. Kennedy, C. A. Bolin, and 22 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 374. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of J. E. Bevins, G. W. Bevins, and 22 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 375. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of A. J. Southard and 18 others, relative to the assessment laws;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 376. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of W. C. Milne and 65 tax-payers, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 377. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of Nelson Wainwright and 63 tax-payers of Danby for the repeal of the county superintendency of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 378. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of C. J. Warren and 14 other voters of Portland relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 5, entitled,

A bill fixing the time of the election of the Recorder of the city of Detroit;

2. House bill No. 104, entitled

A bill to amend sections 18 and 20 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments;

3. House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution asking our Senators in Congress to use all honorable means to prevent the ratification of the Reciprocity Treaty now pending in the Senate of the United States, between the United States and the Dominion of Canada;

4. House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

NOTICES.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Societies of Saint Patrick.

Mr. Preston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 980, chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the assessment and collection of taxes.

Mr. Van Raalte gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Holland,'" being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April 2, 1873.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Walton, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 171, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of act 83 of the Session Laws of 1851, the same being section 2650 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act to authorize the incorporation of bridge companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to legalize the acts of the Riverside Cemetery Company of Hastings.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to so amend an act entitled "An act to enable honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, to acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Hale,	Ludington,	Smith,
Berk,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Billings,	Harris,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Meyer,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Neff,	Towne,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walker,
Curry,	Hunt,	Potter,	Walton,
Daly,	Keyes,	Preston,	Watkins,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	West,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Garfield,	Knight,	Remer,	Whitney,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Rich,	Wiley,
Goodyear,	Lee,	Robbins,	Yeckley,

NAYS.

Mr. Briggs, Budlong, Hollon,	Mr. Hull, Packard, Ransom,	Mr. Taylor, Van Aken,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Speaker,	10
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Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors, disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bartow, Benedict, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, E. A. Brown, Campbell, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green,	Mr. Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hewitt, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Livingstone, Ludington,	Mr. McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Yeckley, Speaker,	78
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Mr. Benjamin, Briggs,	Mr. Budlong, Hart,	Mr. Hollon, Little,	Mr. Ransom, Sutton,	8
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Robbins moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above.

Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for appropriate legislation to remove the bridge constructed by the Chicago and Michigan Lake Shore Railroad Company across the harbor at St. Joseph, at the village of St. Joseph, in the county of Berrien and State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Berk,	Hart,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Morse,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Moshier,	Towne,
Budlong,	Howland,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	West,
Craig,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,
Garfield,	Lay,	Rich,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Lee,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Greiner,	Little,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Hale,	Livingstone,	Schattler,	

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Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Stowe,	Mr. Van Aken,
Briggs,	Keyes,	Sweetland,	Van Raalte,
Dow,			

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Van Aken moved that Mr. Briggs be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Briggs then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Packard moved that Mr. Copley be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Copley then voted as recorded above.

Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Benjamin moved to amend by striking out the words, "white male inhabitant," in line 1 of section 25, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "male citizen ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members not voting therefor.

Mr. Benjamin moved to amend by striking out in line 17 of section 3, the word "thirty," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ten ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Northrop moved to amend section 35, by striking out all after the word "act," in line 3 thereof ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Dow moved to amend by inserting after the word "corporation," in line 5 of section 35, the words "and the Legislature of Michigan ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Packard moved to amend section 35 by striking out in line 4 thereof all from and including the word "but ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend by adding to section 49 the following: "The common council shall have power to establish and maintain hydraulic works within the limits of said village for a supply of water for fire purposes and for domestic use, and in order that provision can be made for such expenditure the common council may levy a tax upon the general valuation of property of the village, but the amount of such tax levied shall not exceed an amount of one-half of one per centum upon such valuation during any one year ;"

Which did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend, by adding to section 18 the following:

"The common council shall have, and exercise in and over said village, the same powers in relation to the regulation of taverns, groceries, common victualers, and others, as are now or may hereafter be conferred by the general laws of this State upon township boards, or upon corporate authorities, and in addition thereto shall also have power to make regulations for preventing the opening or keeping of any tavern, hotel, victualing house, saloon, or other house or place, for furnishing meals, food or drink, or billiard tables, or ball alleys, without first obtaining from the common council license therefor, and for licensing and regulating all taverns, hotels, victualing houses, saloons, and other places for furnishing meals, food, or drink, and keepers of billiard tables and ball alleys, not used for gaming, and to impose such fees, to be paid into the village treasury on the granting of such license, as they may see fit ; and for the purpose of carrying into effect the powers conferred by this section, the common council shall have authority to prescribe, in any by-law or ordinance made by them, that any person who shall violate any of the provisions of any ordinance enacted or made in pursuance of this section, shall forfeit and pay for every day he shall so exercise such business or occupation hereinbefore mentioned, a penalty of five dollars, to be recovered by action of debt, in the corporate name of the said village, together with the costs of prosecution ; or said council may provide that any person who shall offend against any of the provisions of any ordinance, enacted or made in pursuance of this section, or any part thereof, shall forfeit and pay such fine as they shall deem proper, not exceeding one hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term not exceeding three months, or by both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the justice or court who shall try the offender ;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to adopt the amendment offered by Mr. Hulbert, relative to hydraulic works ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment,

Mr. Hollon moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "works," the following: "The question having been first submitted to the qualified electors, and a majority voting in favor thereof;"

Which motion prevailed.

The amendment as amended was then adopted, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Livingstone moved to amend by adding, to stand as section 55, the following: "The common council shall have all other necessary powers for municipal purposes, not provided for herein."

Which did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Pending the reading of the bill,

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Bartow,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Benedict,	Harris,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Berk,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Houston,	Morse,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Neff,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walker,
Cole,	Hull,	Potter,	Walton,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wiley,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Greiner,			

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Mr. Dow,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Taylor,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Goodyear,	Packard,	Towne,	?

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced that he had received a telegram from Mr. Howard, requesting indefinite leave of absence on account of sickness;

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

Indefinite leave of absence was granted Mr. Howard.

Mr. Hubbard, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

WHEREAS, Mr. Parmelee, President of the State Pomological Society, was expected to deliver an address before the society during its session in this city last week; and

WHEREAS, While *en route* for Lansing an incorrect report reached Mr. Parmelee to the effect that the society had adjourned for one week, influencing him to abandon his engagement and return home, whence he now comes with the expectations of fulfilling his appointment; therefore,

Resolved, That Mr. Parmelee be invited to deliver his address in Representative Hall, this evening, and exhibit specimens of fruit which he brought for exhibition at the meeting of the Pomological Society;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Kilbourne, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to Maggie Stewart-Woodhouse for a free public reading, on the evening of Tuesday, the 23d instant;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 17, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Parsons.

Roll called; quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Bailey, Ferguson, E. H. Green and Taylor.

Mr. Remer asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Taylor for one hour.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson for the day.

Mr. C. Brown asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green for the day.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

The Speaker announced as the special committee of five authorized by the House, relative to petition No. 334, relating to the Detroit Savings Fund Institute, Messrs. Knight, Daly, Watkins, E. H. Green, and Hunt.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 379. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of Job Cole, D. Timms, and 90 others, citizens of Hillsdale county, asking for a specific tax on dogs, and that all moneys collected from such tax shall be for the support of schools in the several districts where such dog or dogs are owned and taxed;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 380. By Mr. Norton: Petition of Robert Slantake, John Southard, Henry Foot, and 90 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 381. By Mr. Backus: Remonstrance of N. Slaylot, Hiram B. Fargo, Stephen Bossman, Ross A. Huffman, W. H. Scrip, Joseph Clark, and 22 others, against the attaching the east $\frac{1}{2}$ of section 4 and the west half of section 3, town 9 north, of range 8 west, to the city of Greenville;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 382. By Mr. Schattler: Petition of John F. Martin and 20 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 383. By Mr. Schattler: Petition of Henry Hendricks and 40 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 384. By Mr. Kilbourne: Petition of Daniel W. Buck and 60 others, praying for certain amendments to the charter of the city of Lansing;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 385. By Mr. C. Brown: Remonstrance of Jas. T. Kedzie, E. F. Burlingame, G. D. Wheeler, and 66 others, citizens of the village of Blissfield, Lenawee county, against the passage of the bill incorporating said village;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

By Mr. Robbins: Two letters explanatory of remonstrance No. 385;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 386. By Mr. Walton: Remonstrance of B. F. Partridge and 9 other supervisors of Bay county, against some of the amendments to the charter of the city of Bay City;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 387. By Mr. Knight: Petition of P. D. Miller, E. T. Duncan, S. R. Barney, and 13 others, citizens of Schoolcraft, Kalamazoo county, asking that so much of the prohibitory liquor law as relates to druggists be not repealed;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 388. By Mr. Knight: Petition of Geo. Brown, J. Sidler, W. A. Edwards, and 33 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 389. By Mr. Wilson: Petition of Freeman Snyder and 75 other citizens of Macomb county, asking a change in the law relative to places of holding elections;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 390. By Mr. Hollon: Petition of W. R. Bates, and 75 others, asking for the organization of the county of Ogemaw;

Referred to committee on towns and counties.

No. 391. By Mr. Goodyear; Petition of F. McCormick, D. W. Smith, Hiram Partell, and 122 others, citizens of Barry county, in favor of the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendents of primary schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 392. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of Elihu Chipman, Henry Mallory, H. Fernor, and 71 others, citizens of Barry county, in favor of taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 393. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of David W. Murrey, and 45 others, citizens of Calhoun county, praying the Legislature to repeal the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 394. By Mr. Hart: Petition of Amos B. Town, and 14 others, asking to have certain territory taken from each of the townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organized into a separate township, to be known as the township of Portland;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 395. By Mr. Wood: Petition of P. Farley and 60 others, citizens of Jackson county, asking the Legislature to relieve the people from the unjust exactions of the Jackson & Michigan Plank Road Company;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 396. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of B. O. Wing, T. N. Peck, and 470 others of Jackson and Ingham counties, asking for relief from the exactions of the Jackson & Michigan Plank Road Company;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 397. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of A. J. Freeman and 58 others relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 398. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of Charles W. Stevens and others relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 399. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of Robt. C. Blair and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 400. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of G. W. Wheeler and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 401. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of Charles E. Hyde and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 402. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of J. T. Maine and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 403. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of Charles Miles and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 404. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of John Sullivan and 54 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 405. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of Joseph L. Sturr and 28 other citizens of Vandalia, asking for the incorporation of the village of Vandalia;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 406. By Mr. Watkins: Remonstrance of C. G. Hyde, Frank Keets, P. Fitzpatrick, and seventy other citizens of Rockford, against changing the boundaries of said village;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 407. By Mr. Watkins: Petition of H. N. Stinson, W. B. Johnson, and 59 others, citizens of Rockford, Kent county, asking for a change in the boundaries of said village;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committees on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the use of the proceeds of the sale of educational lands in defraying the expenses of the State government,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to repeal section 413 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 6 of act No. 122 of the session laws of 1861, being an act entitled "An act to provide means for the redemption of the bonds of the State maturing January first, eighteen hundred and sixty-three," approved March 11, 1861,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Petition No. 265, entitled

Petition of George Keagle and 212 other citizens and tax payers of the county of Barry, asking an appropriation to lower Thornapple Lake in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the petition be referred to the committee on internal improvements, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and petition No. 265 was then referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 163, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of cattle passages under highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators of the contracts of deceased persons, for the conveyance of real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators and trustees,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Grand Rapids, to be called "The Superior Court of Grand Rapids,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the *amending words and sentences* of all bills for amending existing laws be underscored before presentation, and the printer for the State be instructed to *rule* all such underscored words and sentences,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. C. TOWNE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the concurrent resolution,

The same was adopted.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 161, entitled,

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3 of title 2 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Manistee," approved March 15, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 17, entitled,

A bill to provide for the distribution of the Statutes of the United States furnished to this State by act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph,” approved March 7, 1834, and the acts amendatory thereto,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Feb. 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the village of Midland City,” approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by inserting after the word “licensing,” in line 11 of recited section 11, the words “or taxing,”

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Dow moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed,*by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow, ,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benjamin,	L. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Berk,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Badlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,

Mr. Cole,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Reed,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Keyes,	Rich,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Lay,	Robinson,	Wilson,	
Dow,	Lee,	Schattler,	Wood,	
Eggleston,	Little,	Smith,	Speaker,	80
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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend section 2628 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 58 of chapter 136 relative to the powers of school district boards;

In the passage of which the Senate has non-concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was laid upon the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Baraga, and locate the county seat thereof;
And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

By striking out all of section 1 after the word "that," in the first line, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Townships 50, 51, 52, and 53 north, of range 30 west; townships 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, and 53 north, of range 31 west; townships 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, and 52 north, of range 32 west; townships 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, and that part of town 52 north, lying east of Sturgeon river, of range 33 west; that part of town 47 north lying east of the south branch of Sturgeon river; townships 48, 49, 50, and that part of townships 51 and 52 north, lying east of Sturgeon river, of range 34 west; that part of townships 47, 48, 49, and 50 north lying east of the Sturgeon river on the south branch thereof, of range 35 west, is hereby detached from the county of Houghton, and is hereby organized into a county to be known and designated as the county of Baraga."

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hollon moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Berk,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Walker,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hunt,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Keyes,	Preston,	Whitney,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Reed,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lay,	Remer,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Rich.	87

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for an annual appropriation for the benefit of the Pioneer Society of the State of Michigan.

Mr. Lay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ypsilanti.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to promote the early construction of a railroad through the "Menominee Iron Range."

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Clio.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide a method of giving notices of the fees of county and township officers;

Also,

A bill to repeal act No. 6 of the session laws of 1869, approved January 13,

1869, entitled "An act authorizing circuit courts in chancery in the county of Wayne, to refer causes pending in chancery, to special commissioners," being sections 5190 and 5191 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Also,

A bill in relation to the disbursement of moneys from the Wayne county treasury.

Mr. Rich gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 67 of chapter 267, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 8112, relative to the State Prison, and the government and discipline thereof.

Mr. Ocobock gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Wyandotte.

Mr. Knight gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of an act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons, approved April 5, 1869.

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Vandalia.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to establish and organize a police court in the city of Grand Rapids," being act No. 396, session laws of 1873, approved April 30, 1873.

Mr. Parker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the encouragement of manufacturing establishments.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 6 and 11, being sections 6731 and 6736 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to actions of replevin.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 71, 75, 78, 100, 131, and 153 of chapter 21, being sections 1037, 1041, 1044, 1066, 1097, and 1119 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Also,

A bill to fix and determine the costs to be allowed to plaintiffs in suits at law in the circuit courts, where judgment is taken by default.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section five thousand five hundred and twenty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to repeal section five thousand five hundred and sixty-six of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in criminal cases.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, and attach the same to the township of Portage, in Houghton county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Societies of Saint Patrick.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 175, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of an act entitled "An act to authorize proceedings against garnishees and for other purposes," approved March 28, 1849, being section 6443, chapter 202, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 176, entitled

A bill to amend section 2857, chapter 95, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the commencing of suits at law and in equity.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Crawford, and the townships of Grayling, Center Plains, and Crawford, lying therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 178, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 150, being section 4269 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to estates in dower.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 179, entitled

A bill to amend section 10, being section (1212) one thousand two hundred and twelve, chapter 150, of the Compiled Laws, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of guardians for females under the age of 21 years who are married.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to amend the 9th subdivision of section 27, being section 6101, and chapter 192 of the Compiled Laws, relative to judgments and executions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 182, entitled

A bill for the protection of the rights of laborers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 183, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 51 of the session laws of 1872, entitled "An act to amend sections 15 and 18 of act No. 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to amend act No. 76 of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867,' by adding six new sections thereto to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19," approved April 5, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Townsend, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the village of Imlay City, in Lapeer county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Banks, in Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Van Raalte, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Holland,' " being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April 2, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 187, entitled

A bill to amend sections 11, 12, and 13 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 1788, 1789 and 1790 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the election of a township drain commissioner in each organized town, and to authorize him to locate, establish, and construct ditches, drains, and water-courses in his respective town, and to repeal all other drainage laws in relation thereto," approved April 13, 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from each of the townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Faust;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to facilitate the inspection of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Gerrish, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out and building a State Road in Osceola county, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies of corporate powers for certain purposes,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stephens,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Billings,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sutton,

Mr. C. Brown,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Norton,	Walker,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	Watkins,
Craig,	Hull,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Smith,	Speaker,
I. Green,			

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Mr. Backus,	Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Schattler,
Bartow,	Campbell,	Parker,	Sweetland,
Benedict,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Whitney,
Benjamin,	Neff,		

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that Mr. Curry be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Curry then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo,
Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Parker moved to recommit the bill to the committee on municipal corporations;

Which motion prevailed,

The bill was so recommitted.

Mr. Van Aken moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend the motion by making the time 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House took up the regular order of business.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 408. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of R. B. Johnson and others, asking for the passage of a law to encourage the destruction of foxes.

On demand of Mr. Bndlong,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, citizens of the State of Michigan, being restrained by law from killing certain kinds of game at certain times of the year, would pray your honorable body to enact a law to encourage the destruction of foxes. It is a well known fact that foxes destroy more partridges, quails, and prairie chickens than all the hunters in the State, besides annoying the farmers exceedingly by killing their lambs and domestic fowls; we therefore respectfully ask for a law offering a bounty of at least one dollar for each and every fox killed within the State. And your petitioners will ever pray.

The petition was referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 409. By Mr. Schattler. Petition of Henry Blake, Joseph Cox and 32 others relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 410. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Memorial of the Breen Mining Company, in relation to the bill to amend act No. 242 of the session laws of 1869.

On demand of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

Your memorialists, the Breen Mining Company of the county of Menominee, respectfully show unto you that the said company is the owner of the Breen iron mine in said county of Menominee, one of the most valuable iron mines in the State of Michigan. That said company has been organized about three years, and that during all that time this mine has lain idle and unworked, for the reason that they had no means of transportation of the ores of said mine. That they have used every effort in their power to build or procure the building of a railroad from said mine to the shore of Green Bay, and since the road of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company was constructed to that road, without success. That they have offered to give security on the whole running stock of said company for the purpose of raising funds for that purpose. That the stockholders of said company are also stockholders in the Deer Creek and Marble Quarry Railroad Company, which they helped organize with the view of obtaining transportation for said ores.

Your memorialists further show that they are not inclined to urge their own plan for opening said mine and the other mines of the Menominee iron ranges to the exclusion of any other plan that may be adopted, but that said company is ready and willing to aid any object that will insure the building of a road to said mines.

Your memorialists further say, that in the opinion of said company, that is to say the stockholders of said company, the State has as large, or a larger interest in opening such mines by the construction of a railroad, than have the owners of the mines, and that the addition of population and wealth by opening the same would, in a very few years, more than compensate the State for the whole cost of the road, even if built by the funds of the State, and given away to a company which would operate the same, and as a proof in support of the argument, the company will call your attention to the statistics of the iron ore business and of population of Marquette county, from which all the iron ore from the State has been shipped up to the present time. In the

year 1856, when the attention of people at Lake Superior first began to be turned to opening and developing the iron mines of Marquette county, there was mined and shipped 7,000 tons valued at \$28,000,—in 1859, when the first railroad came into use, the amount shipped was, including pig iron, 72,937 tons valued at \$870,829; in 1860, 122,568 tons valued at \$736,496: in 1873, which shows the largest amount shipped, there was shipped 1,238,886 tons valued at \$11,395,887, and the total shipped since 1856 to 1874 is 8,169,631 tons valued at \$63,366,731, while the population of the county has increased in consequence of thus affording transportation to those mines in equal ratio. For instance, the census shows the population of Marquette county in 1860 to have been 2,821, while in 1874 it is 21,946.

This great increase may be entirely credited to the construction of railroads to furnish transportation for the ore, and had it not been for the construction of the railroads to those mines there would have been but little more ore shipped in 1873 and 1874 than in 1856, and the regions of those mines where there are cities and villages would have remained a wilderness. Your memorialists leave it to any of your honorable members who have a mathematical turn to figure up the gain in wealth to the State that has been made since the year 1856 which may be justly credited to the building of railroads to the iron mines of Marquette county.

Your memorialists further show that the deposits of iron ore in Menominee county and in the southwest portion of Marquette county, commonly called the Menominee iron ranges, are quite as numerous and are as valuable as those in south Marquette county, in the Negaunee ranges, and that the building of a railroad to them will result in as large an accession to the wealth and population of the State as did the opening of the Negaunee ranges, and probably much larger, as there is a vast amount of water power on the Menominee river and its branches that would be brought into use by opening the country to railroad facilities, as well, also, as agricultural lands that would then become valuable.

In consideration of the premises, your memorialists ask that your honorable body make an appropriation of State swamp lands to be selected from the counties to be benefited by the building of said railroad, to aid in building a railroad to said mines, as asked by said railroad company, or in such other manner as shall be deemed the most judicious, and that you pass the bill entitled, bill for an act to amend act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869, by adding four sections thereto, numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6, or that your honorable body take such action in the premises as will aid in obtaining the construction of a railroad to the iron mines in the Menominee iron ranges.

By order of the company.

[L. s.] Witness the President, Secretary, and seal of said company, the 10th day of February, A. D. 1875.

E. S. INGALLS, *President.*

S. P. SAXTON, *Secretary.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 411. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Memorial of Deer Creek and Marble Quarry Railroad Company, asking amendments to act No. 242 of the session laws of 1869.

On demand of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

Your memorialists, the officers and board of directors of the Deer Creek and Marble Quarry Railroad Company, respectfully show: That previous to the year 1867, discoveries of marble quarries had been made up the Menominee river, about the distance of sixty miles from its mouth, and at a point which was about thirty miles from the shore of Green Bay, in a straight line across the country through the woods, which quarries were believed, and are still believed to be valuable, and that to some extent iron ores were then known to exist in the neighborhood of the same. That with a view to open up that country, which was a wilderness with no roads, some of the citizens of Menominee procured the passage of an act granting an appropriation for a State road from a point called Deer Creek on the bay shore of Green Bay, in the county of Menominee, which was the nearest available point on the bay shore for shipping purposes, said road to be constructed to said marble quarries in town thirty-nine north, of range twenty-nine west: that owing to various causes not within the control of the persons interested in having said road constructed, the same has never been constructed.

Your memorialists further show, that after that time more full and complete explorations of the country around said marble quarries were made, and it was found that the towns commencing with town 39, range 28, and extending to town 41 range 31, was a mining country containing mines of as rich and valuable iron ores as could be found in the State or United States, and that such deposits were so great that the amount of ore in them can hardly be estimated, and it is believed that from said last town, to-wit: 41 N. range 31, the iron ranges continue to Lake Michigan, in towns 47 and 48 north, range thirty west. For the purpose of opening a way for the transportation of the ores from said mines and the stone from said marble quarries, a number of the citizens of Menominee county thereafter organized under the laws of this State, a railroad company by the name of the Deer Creek and Marble Quarry Railroad Company, which has continued its organization to the present time. That at the time of its organization there was no railroad in Menominee county, and Deer Creek being the nearest available shipping point on the shore of Green Bay, the place of the commencement of the route of said railroad was made at that point.

Your memorialists further show that since that time the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company have built their line of road through Menominee county, the line of which runs within thirteen miles of the Breen iron mine, the nearest mine to said road and shore of Green Bay now known, and that to enable them to build said road the said Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company have received in grants, the odd sections of government land in a strip sixteen miles wide, and from the State the even numbered sections of State swamp lands in a strip along said road twelve miles wide, embracing a large amount of the best lands in the county, while, in return, the construction of the road has as yet done but little towards the development of the resources of the country, but when a road shall be built to the said iron mines its full usefulness will be attained.

Your memorialists further show that they have used their utmost exertions to procure money to build the railroad to said mines, and have for the last two years tried various methods to bring about the building of said road by said Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company, or under their supervision, without success, and they now believe that said company, by reason of its

financial weakness, is not at present able to build it, and will not build it for many years to come, and that unless the company which your memorialists represent shall build it, that the vast wealth locked up in the iron mines in the Menominee ranges will remain undeveloped for many years hereafter.

Your memorialists further represent that it is their belief, based on a full knowledge of the facts, that the State of Michigan will reap more benefit from the construction of a railroad to those mines in five years after a railroad shall be built to those mines, than would amount to the whole cost of the road, and that if the State would build it at its own expense, and give it away to a company to run it, that by reason of the opening of all those mines, and the country around them, to settlement, the State would be richer than it now is, or will be until it is built.

Your memorialists further show that the great difficulty has been, and now is, to furnish a basis for loans of money to build a road to the first mine, and when so much of a railroad shall be constructed as will open a way for transportation from the Breen iron mine to the track of the Chicago and Northwestern railway, the company and the mine owners will have no difficulty in extending it from mine to mine, and ultimately to the shore of Green Bay, if desired.

Your memorialists further say that capitalists are never willing to take chances in the investments of money in building railroads, but require a solid basis for security before loaning money for such purposes, and although the mine owners of some of the most valuable of the mines, who are also stockholders and officers of the Deer Creek and Marble Quarry railroad company, have repeatedly offered to mortgage their entire mining property as security for a loan sufficient to secure the building of a railroad to the nearest mine; they have not succeeded in accomplishing their desires in that respect. That they have had agents in England employed on that basis to raise the money, and who could raise the money if satisfactory security was given, but that capitalists there say that until the mines are worked they have not sufficient assurance of the security, but at the same time have offered, if sufficient money was raised and the road constructed to the first mine, to advance money on a security on so much of the road as should be constructed to advance the work of construction to the other mines; and your memorialists verily believe that if they can accomplish the building of the road from the track of the Chicago and Northwestern railway to the Breen mine, they will have no difficulty in constructing the road from that point to the other mines, and ultimately, when required, to the shore of Green Bay, and it will be required when all the mines in the Menominee ranges are opened and worked, as no one road can then do the work that will be required of it.

Your memorialists further show that although the leading interest to be served in building such railroad is to open to market the ores from said iron mines, yet the road, when constructed, will be greatly to the advantage of the State in another respect, and that is in opening the country to agricultural and mechanical pursuits, and for furnishing transportation for timber, lumber, shingles, cedar posts, stone, etc.

That much of the country, although now covered with woods, when cleared, will be good agricultural lands. That the Menominee river, and all the streams in that part of the country, furnish abundance of water-power, some of which is the best in the western country. That extensive quarries of marble, quartzites, granite, and sandstones, are found in the county, which will be opened by

this road, while all the woods found in our northern forests will remain valueless until cheap means of transportation are furnished to get them to markets; and that the construction of the proposed railroad will do more towards the development of the county of Menominee, and in adding to the wealth of the State, than will equal one hundred times its cost.

In support of this assertion a reference to the census reports of 1860 and 1874, it would seem, would be sufficient to satisfy the most incredulous. In 1860, there were no railroads in the Upper Peninsula, except the short road between Marquette and the Iron Mines at Negaunee, which had just been, or was about being completed.

The population of Marquette county was, in 1860, twenty-eight hundred and twenty-one (2821), whereas the census report for 1874 of that county, shows the population to be twenty-one thousand nine hundred and forty-six (21,946), a gain of nineteen thousand one hundred and twenty-five (19,125), in fourteen years, and the county of Houghton, which, in 1860, had a population of nine thousand two hundred and thirty-four (9,234), in 1874, had a population of nineteen thousand and thirty (19,030), a gain of nine thousand seven hundred and ninety-six (9,796), and the county of Delta, in 1860, which then embraced the county of Menominee, had a population of seventeen hundred and seventy-two (1,772), while in 1874, Delta county had four thousand seven hundred and forty-one (4,741), and Menominee county, which had been formed out of it, had three thousand four hundred and ninety, or total in the territory forming Delta county in 1860, of eight thousand two hundred and thirty-one (8,231), a gain of six thousand four hundred and fifty-nine (6,459).

The population of all the Upper Peninsula counties, in 1860, was twenty-one thousand four hundred and fourteen (21,414), when, as in 1874, it was sixty-one thousand nine hundred and eighty-four (61,984), and the shipments of minerals from Lake Superior, during the year 1874, amounted to fifteen million dollars (\$15,000,000). This shows a gain of forty thousand five hundred and seventy (40,570), in population in fourteen years, which gain may more properly be credited to the last ten years, as, with the exception above stated, the commencement of building railroads was in 1863-64, and as will be observed, was made to the counties obtaining railroad advantages, and while this great gain to the State has been made in population, the gain in business and the creation of wealth has, as your memorialists believe, been five-fold the proportion of the gain in population.

Your memorialists believe that the construction of this railroad mentioned herein, to the Menominee Iron Ranges, and which will ultimately be built to all the mines *en route* to Lake Michigammi, and there connect with the railroads now built to that place, will in the same period of time, add as great a ratio to the population and wealth of the State, as has been added since 1860, and it would seem to your memorialists that it will readily occur to you that if you can secure the opening of the country and mines on the Menominee, by so small a grant of lands as is asked by your memorialists, that you will confer a benefit on the whole State, of very great and permanent value to it.

Your memorialists further say, that if the State will give the aid asked in the bill to amend act No. 242, of the session laws of 1869, which they have had prepared carefully, as embracing what is necessary in the case, that they can, during the coming summer, procure the capital for and build so much of the railroad as will open the Breen Mine, and one adjoining thereto, and perhaps extend the road to the Breitung Mine (and which would also open the

Sturgeon Falls and Ingalls mining companies' mines), the distance to be built for that purpose to the Breen Mine being about thirteen miles, and to the Breitung Mine about twenty miles, and that during the year ensuing, they can continue the road to the Quinnesec and other mines, in town 40, range 30, and beyond that if then desirable.

Your memorialists submit that they have full faith that the sagacity and good sense of the Honorable members of the Legislature, will cause them to comprehend, when they understand the position which we have herein endeavored to explain to them, that the giving the aid asked, which will enable the parties interested in building this railroad, to build the road, is a "mere drop in the bucket" compared to the benefits which will be received by the State from the opening of the mines in the Menominee Iron Range and the country around there, and that as a judicious investment, the giving of so small amount of now nearly valueless lands, which will insure to the State so great returns, no better investment could be asked for the State; but that while they believe that if the State could procure the building of a railroad from one end to the other of the Upper Peninsula by giving away for the purpose, all the State lands in the Upper Peninsula, they are not in favor of, and do not ask that any lands be given, out of the counties which are not benefited directly thereby, for which reason they ask only that lands in Menominee county be given.

Your memorialists therefore ask your Honorable body to pass the bill for an act to amend Act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869, as prepared and submitted through the kindness of their member from Delta, Menominee counties, etc.

By order of the Board of Directors of Deer Creek and Marble Quarry Railroad Company.

Dated Menominee, Feb. 4, 1875.

Witness, the President and Secretary, and the seal of said Company.

E. S. INGALLS,

President R. R. Co.

T. B. RICE,

Secretary.

The memorial was referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 412. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Memorial of the Ingalls Mining Company in relation to the bill to amend act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869.

On demand of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

MEMORIAL

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

Your memorialists, the Ingalls Mining Company of the county of Menominee, respectfully represent that said company is the owner of the Ingalls Iron Mine in town 39 N., R. 29 W., in said county of Menominee; that said mine is a large mine of first-class iron ore, with veins half a mile in length, and on the same range as the Breitung mine, sometimes called the Ward mine; the continuous veins embracing said mine being over two miles in length; that said mine, as well as the other property named, has been lying idle and useless for want of means of transportation for their valuable ores; that this company and other owners have for several years been using their best efforts to obtain

means for the construction of a railroad to said mines, which efforts have been as yet unavailable. That not only this company, but the owners of other mines have lost the use of said mines for want of means of transportation, and while they have lost, the State has lost an hundred-fold, by reason of the failure of their efforts to develop the best mineral wealth of the Menominee iron ranges.

Your memorialists further show that the mine of said company is only twenty miles from the railroad of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, and that a railroad constructed from the road aforesaid to the mine of your memorialists, will pass and aid in opening the mines of six different mining properties now known, and the construction of twenty miles more road will open as many more mines, all of which are extensive and valuable; that the mines of your memorialists are only from three to four miles from the big and little Quinnesec Falls, on the Menominee river, one being 60 feet and the other 80 feet fall, besides other rapids above and below the same, which altogether furnish the greatest water-power in the State, if not in any of the western States; and that a railroad constructed to the iron mines would bring such water-power into use; and that such railroad would also pass through much valuable agricultural land which is valueless now, but would immediately on its construction become valuable.

Your memorialists further show that adjoining the mine of your memorialists the State owns valuable iron mines, the value of which, in the opinion of the members of this company, if opened by a railroad, would be greater than the whole cost of the road, but which, for the want of a road, is of no value either to the State or any person.

Your memorialists further state that there is no thing that the State can do, as they believe, which will yield so great a return of benefit to the State as will that of constructing a railroad from some point of connection with railroads, or some shipping point, to the iron mines of the Menominee iron ranges.

Your memorialists further show that the great difficulty they have found in obtaining money to build a road to such mines has been the need of a sufficient basis for security until the mines were opened; that either the owners of mines, and all others in this section of the country, who have examined them, know of a surety their great value; that nevertheless, capitalists who reside at a distance, and have no means of personal inspection, look upon it in the light of an untried experiment, and are averse to loan money for the construction of a railroad on the mines, as security; whereas, if the persons interested directly in opening these mines could build even to the Breen mine a railroad, it would demonstrate by the amount of work that the road would do, the value of the road, and the mines, and there would be no further difficulty in obtaining money to extend the road to the other mines on the Menominee ranges; that capitalists look upon land as a sufficient basis for security, and your memorialists believe that with a land grant, even if not of itself sufficient to defray the expenses of the construction of a railroad, that that, with the other security which the mine owners could give, would enable them to construct the railroad.

Your memorialists therefore ask that you pass the bill entitled "Bill to amend act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869 by adding thereto four sections numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6," or by passing such other act as you may deem judicious, appropriating State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad to the Menominee iron ranges.

By direction of the company. Witness the President, Secretary, and seal of the Ingalls Mining Company at Menominee the 8th day of February, 1875.

E. S. INGALLS, *President*.

CHAS. L. INGALLS, *Secretary*.

The memorial was referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 413. By Mr. Daly: Petition of the collectors of taxes of the city of Detroit.

On demand of Mr. Daly,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

Detroit, February 16, 1875.

To the Honorable the Members of the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

GENTLEMEN—In view of the fact that many hundreds of the tax-payers of the city of Detroit are unable at present to pay their proportion of the State and county taxes, owing to the dull times, depression of trade, scarcity of money, we, the undersigned, the collectors of taxes in the different wards of the city of Detroit, Wayne county, do most respectfully petition and request your honorable body to extend the time for the collection of the State and county taxes, for the year 1874, until the 1st of April, 1875. We believing that such action will be of interest to the State and be the means of enabling many to earn money sufficient to pay their taxes, and also remunerate the collectors for their time and trouble.

Signed:

DAVID DICKSON, Collector of the 1st Ward,
JOHN C. SCHULTZ, Collector of the 2d Ward,
HENRY RIEDIGER, Collector of the 3d Ward,
NICKOLAUS KUMMER, Collector of the 4th Ward,
JOSEPH PARKINSON, Collector of the 5th Ward,
HENRY ZEISS, Collector of the 6th Ward,
JOHN CASPARY, Collector of the 7th Ward,
WILLIAM RYAN, Collector of the 8th Ward,
CHRISTIAN METZER, Collector of the 9th Ward,
JOHN HAPPE, Collector of the 10th Ward,
ANTHONY BAUER, Collector of the 12th Ward;

The petition was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 414. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of John A. Foate, H. O. C. Tiffins, and 171 others, citizens of Hillsdale and Jackson county, for a law to tax church property;

Referred to the committee on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 415. By Mr. Schattler: Petition of Wm. Miller, Jacob Malburgh, Gauper, John Reseping and 156 others, citizens of Wayne and Macomb counties, asking to be incorporated into a fire insurance company;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 416. By Mr. Copley: Petition of Wm. M. Lyle, Charles Duncomb, and 122 others asking for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools; also, that languages be not taught in the public schools at the expense of the State;

Referred to the committee on education.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills and concurrent resolution :

1. House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expense of constructing sewers in said city, upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby ;

2. House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers ;

3. Concurrent resolution to arrange for the transportation of the committees to visit the State Institutions.

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Saginaw county and the city of Saginaw, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of lands situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR. *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on liquor traffic :

The majority of the special committee on liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No 128, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, and fermented liquors and beverages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

G. E. KNIGHT,

JOS. A. HOLLON,

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR.,

W. L. CHURCHILL.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The majority of the special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 121 entitled

A bill to prevent the sale or delivery of intoxicating liquors, wine and beer, to minors, and to drunken persons, and to habitual drunkards ; to provide a remedy against persons selling liquor to husbands or sons in certain cases ; and to repeal an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating drinks as a beverage," and all acts amendatory thereto, as printed on pages 690 to page 701, inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ; also to repeal the act approved March 25, 1867, as printed on page 702 of said Compiled Laws ; also to repeal act No. 150, as printed on pages 201 and 202 of the session laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

JOS. A. HOLLON,

G. E. KNIGHT,

W. L. CHURCHILL,

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The undersigned, a minority of the special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, and fermented liquors and beverages ;

And to whom were also referred numerous petitions asking for the repeal of the prohibitory law, and also remonstrances against the repeal of said law, being unable to agree with a majority of the committee in the conclusions which they have reached, respectfully submit the following report :

The liquor traffic appears to us as the efficient cause of more domestic, social, political, and moral evil than all other branches of business carried on in the State and nation, and we believe it to be the imperative duty of all good citizens, as far as is within their power, to curtail if they cannot suppress it. Year by year the subject has assumed greater proportions and prominence. Our statutes show that for the last twenty years there has been a strong tendency to extirpate the traffic. Year after year still stronger laws have been enacted, until it now occupies its proper position outside the catalogue of legitimate occupations.

Nor can it be denied that public sentiment has demanded these hostile provisions. Nor can it be denied that the best friends of temperance, order, and christianity, the most earnest workers in the temperance cause, and also those

who suffer most from the evils of the vile traffic (the women of our State), have been, and still are in full accord with these temperance laws. And now, after twenty years of warfare with the fiend intemperance, backed by his sanguinary host ; now, when another link is needed to complete the chain to bind the demon fast, and the temperance men throughout the State are asking for that link to be supplied, and the present temperance laws perfected, by making the bars, decanters, glasses, signs, &c., *prima facie* evidence of sale, the cry is raised, and sounded loud and long, "Prohibition is a failure, and ought to be repealed." Who raise this cry? It appears to come from two sources; one where pecuniary interests are involved, the other seekers after present political capital. It is a significant fact, and worthy our careful consideration, that not one of the many petitions asking for its repeal, is from any temperance society, or other organization having for its object the moral and intellectual improvement of society.

The prohibitory law is not to blame for the continuance of the traffic in all its length and breadth. That it is imperfect and needs amending, that it has not accomplished all that could be desired is conceded; but the charge of utter failure we deny. Its restraining influence is particularly felt in the country towns and villages. The personal liability clause alone is of incalculable value in restraining beastly intoxication. During the last fourteen years of the law's operation the condition of the country has been most unfavorable to its design,—while on the one hand the disturbed condition caused by civil war, with all its consequent excitement, idleness, extravagance, and recklessness developed an extraordinary demand for intoxicating beverages, and unprincipled dealers seized the opportunity to violate the law, and fill their pockets with the spoils; on the other hand, not only the public authorities, but the community at large, were too much engaged in putting down the rebellion and reconstructing the South to watch closely the incipient stages of rebellion at home. We repeat, the life and power of the liquor traffic in this State is not owing to unwise legislation in the past, but to causes that were uncontrollable.

Different methods of dealing with it in other States have not produced better, but worse results during the time of alleged failure here. A careful study of statistics confirms this statement. Other things being equal, prohibition has been three-fold more successful than license, in suppressing the traffic. I call attention to the amount in value consumed in one year by the inhabitants in four States under license, and three under prohibition, as appears by the sworn statements of the retail liquor dealers in such States :

States under License.	Population.	Am't Consumed.
New Jersey	650,000	\$42,468,740 00
Rhode Island	225,000	10,234,240 00
Maryland	650,000	40,561,650 00
Wisconsin	700,000	43,818.845 00
Total	2,225,000.	Total..... \$137,083,445 00
States under Prohibition.	Population.	Am't Consumed.
Massachusetts	1,250,000	\$27,979,575 00
Maine	650,000	8,257,015 00
Vermont	350,000	6,786,065 00
Total	2,250,000.	Total..... \$43,022,655 00

These figures speak for themselves. It will be seen that the four States under license, with a population less by twenty-five thousand, consumed more than three times the amount consumed in those States under prohibition.

After carefully considering the subject in all its bearings, we are fully convinced that prohibition is more efficient than license or tax regulation. That it is right in principle and wise in policy; that the State has as much right and power to prohibit as regulate the traffic, cannot be denied; that the traffic as usually carried on is a public nuisance demanding abatement, has been repeatedly held by courts of highest authority; that it is the fountain head, the prolific source of idleness, ignorance, idiocy, insanity, pauperism and crime, no intelligent person can deny. Governor Gardner, of Massachusetts, clearly portrays its effects in the following language: "The evils of intemperance force themselves on the attention of every statesman. They appear at the bar of our courts; they cry aloud from our prisons, jails, and hospitals, and the wailings of our lunatic asylums are their voices." As legislators of this great and prosperous State, as guardians of the public welfare, let us pause and consider well what is to take its place, before we strike from our statutes the prohibitory law.

The bill under consideration proposes a radical change in principle and policy. It proposes to eliminate the liquor traffic from its present out-lawed position and place it in the catalogue of respectable, legitimate, and lawful occupations. It proposes to legalize the sale, and by implication, the drinking of intoxicating liquors. The bill appears to be drafted strictly on the revenue tariff principle with two primary objects in view: the liquor dealer's interest and the treasury. It guarantees to dealers of the State all the rights and privileges of a legitimate business and a virtual monopoly of all the beverages sold at retail, including soda-water and lemonade, and also is exceedingly careful to protect home dealers from foreign trade. It contains all the essential privileges of a license law and none of the restrictions usually incorporated in such statutes. It does not prohibit them from selling on election days, Sundays, or at any hour in the night; neither does it prohibit sales to minors, apprentices, and persons of well-known intemperate habits. It relieves the seller from all liability for damage that may be done by an intoxicated person. It places the drunkard and his family completely within the ravenous maw of the liquor-dealer.

The object of the bill appears to be to foster and build up the trade and to make the tax of just the amount that would be most likely, with an increase of business, to produce the largest revenue.

But, after a careful examination of the subject, we are in some doubt as to the amount that will be received into the treasury. The bill appears to us like a locomotive, perfect in all its parts, but without steam to drive it. Past events show that the even the Legislature is very loth to impeach, or the Governor to suspend or remove public officers that are elected by the people, and we are of the opinion that, should this bill become law, and should every County Treasurer in the State neglect or utterly refuse to comply with its provisions, not one would be removed from office. Hence we say that, "judging from this past," there is no adequate provision in the bill to enforce its execution as a law.

If it is really the intention to enforce it, a neglect of duty by the County Treasurer or Sheriff should be made a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the office actually vacated. The Governor would then have no hesitation about

filling the vacancy. If it is the intention to curtail the traffic, the tax imposed should be double the amount mentioned in the bill.

We object further to the passage of the bill, because, in our judgment it is a plain violation of the spirit and the letter of the Constitution, which forbids the granting of legislative license for the sale of intoxicating liquors. The decision in the Ann Arbor case does not cover this. That was a tax levied by virtue of *municipal* authority upon a business *partly* lawful. This is a virtual license by *Legislative* authority of a business wholly unlawful. The word authorized as used in section nine of the bill, is synonymous with the word licensed used in the same connection.

We call attention to the following language of Judge Christiancy, as reported in 13th Mich.:

“Our province is not to make or modify the constitution according to our views of justice or expediency, but to ascertain, as far as we are able, the true intent and purpose of the constitution which the people have deemed it just and expedient to adopt. This, we in common with the people and all departments of the government, are bound to obey, in all its provisions, however unwise, in our opinion, they may be, so long as it remains in force. Considerations of justice or expediency, therefore, can have no bearing upon any question of constitutional law, except so far as they may tend, when the meaning is otherwise doubtful, to throw light upon the probable intention of the people in its adoption.”

After due consideration, we conclude that to pass the bill at this time would be unwise and impolitic; that it is wrong in principle and in policy; that what ought not to be used as a beverage ought not to be sold as such; that what the good of the community requires us to expel, no man has a moral right to supply; that the principle of giving legal sanction to that which is in itself an evil, is not admissible in morals or in legislation; that if passed it will prove a bone of contention in every election, and a lasting disgrace to our noble State.

T. J. WEST.

The report was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog-bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan;

2. House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolutions were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 9, entitled,

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elmira,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James to purchase of the "Swan Creek and Saginaw Bridge Company" its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a toll bridge;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

NOTICES.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869, by adding four (4) sections thereto, numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section four of "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being section 971 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Schattler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate a German fire insurance company.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act relative to proof of demands in suit," approved March 26, 1867, being section 5954 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add a new section thereto, relative to actions brought on promissory notes and bills of exchange.

Mr. Daly gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend "An act to establish a police government for the city of Detroit.

Mr. Lay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making an appropriation for the construction of an addition to the central building of the State Normal School.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Struble gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 15, of Article IV. of act No. 195, of the session laws of 1873 entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations, owning or operating any railroad in this State."

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to republish those volumes of the Michigan Reports that are out of print, or to contract for a sufficient number of copies for the use of the State with any parties proposing to republish the same.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 192, entitled

A bill to amend section 4, being section 5030, chapter 175, of the Compiled Laws, entitled, "The Circuit Courts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 193, entitled

A bill to amend section 18, being section 4512, chapter 160, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the partition and distribution of estates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 194, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to regulate and define the duties of the judges of probate in certain cases," approved April 15, 1873, and being act No. 95 of the session laws of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 195, entitled,

A bill to amend section 38, being section 4359, chapter 154, of the Compiled Laws, relative to wills of real and personal estate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to repeal act number 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to amend act number 76, of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867, by adding six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19," approved April 5, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Little, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 197, entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 50, being section 1835, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support of poor persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Hunt, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill 198, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Bay county, in fixing the rates of tolls for the Bay City Bridge Company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hulbert offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General is respectfully requested to furnish a tabular statement of the valuation of taxable property in each of the counties of the Upper Peninsula for each year since the organization thereof; also, of the amount of State tax apportioned to such counties for the same years; also, the amount of such taxes unrealized by the State after the annual settlement with such counties after the tax sales of October, 1874;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Goodyear offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to inform the House the aggregate amount of money appropriated for, and on account of the Agricultural College; the number of acres of land originally appropriated by the United States Government for said College; the number of acres of land sold, and the amount received therefor; the amount of land now unsold standing to its credit; the approximate value of the same, and the annual interest said College is entitled to from the proceeds of lands sold on its account;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Walker offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the State Board of Health be requested to furnish to this House, at as early a day as practicable, a detailed statement of the expenditures of the said Board for salaries and clerk hire, for traveling expenses, and for expenses for paper and printing of documents issued under its direction, specifying the number and expenses of issuing each document;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Morse offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the State Land Office is hereby requested to furnish to this House a statement showing the amount of ditch taxes assessed against State and part-paid lands as reported by county drain commissioners, the counties from which said taxes are reported, and the years in which they were assessed;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hollon offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter Rule No. 46 shall be so construed as to prohibit the third reading of bills and joint resolutions on the same day on which they passed the committee of the whole;

Mr. Rich moved to lay the resolution upon the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Potter moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the following:

“And all misunderstanding of the meaning of the rule is prohibited;”

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Hollon demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and pending the taking of the vote on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Walker offered the following substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the committee on rules be instructed to bring in a substitute for Rule 46, in which the last clause, “passed the committee of the whole House,” shall be omitted.

Which was not adopted.

The resolution was then not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Harris,	Little,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Towne,
Campbell,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walton,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hull,	Parker,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Knight,	Smith,	Yeckley,
Greiner,			

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Robinson,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Schattler,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Morse,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Packard,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Huggett,	Potter,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hunt,	Preston,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Klein,	Ransom,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Lee,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Livingstone,	Rich,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Ludington,	Robbins,	Wood,

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Mr. Walker offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on rules be instructed to bring in a substitute for Rule 46 ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Briggs offered the following:

Resolved, That Professor T. C. Abbot, President of the State Agricultural College, be requested to deliver a lecture on "Agricultural Education," to the members of the Legislature, in this hall, on any evening that may suit his convenience ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Packard offered the following:

WHEREAS, The sub-committee on representation, of which R. R. Robbins is chairman, have prepared a report differing in some respects from the one ordered printed by this House, therefore,

Resolved, That the said committee be requested to furnish the Clerk with a copy of their report, and that the same be printed in the daily Journal.

Which was adopted.

The following is the report of the sub-committee:

HON. EDWARD D. BRIGGS, *Chairman of Committee on Representation* :

SIR—I am instructed by the sub-committee to submit the following report :

Total population of State, 1,334,031 ; basis of representation, 13,800.

COUNTY.	POPULA- TION.	No. Reps.	COUNTY.	POPULA- TION.	No. Reps.
Allegan.....	32,381	2	Manistee.....	8,471	1
Barry.....	22,051	2	Benzie.....	2,663	
Bay.....	24,832	2	Mason.....	5,361	
Berrien.....	35,029	3	Lake.....	1,813	1
Branch.....	25,726	2	Osceola.....	6,216	
Calhoun.....	35,655	3	Isabella.....	6,059	
Cass.....	20,525	2	Midland.....	5,806	1
Clinton.....	23,661	2	Clare.....	1,854	
Eaton.....	26,907	2	Gladwin.....	.....
Genesee.....	34,568	3	Roscommon.....	1
Gratiot.....	13,886	1	Wexford.....	8,011	
Hillsdale.....	31,566	2	Missaukee.....	606	
Houghton.....	19,030	1	Grand Traverse..	5,849	1
Huron.....	11,964	1	Kalkaska.....	1,259	
Ingham.....	29,193	2	Crawford.....	.....
Ionia.....	28,376	2	Leelanaw.....	5,081	1
Jackson.....	37,988	3	Antrim.....	3,240	
Kalamazoo.....	32,284	2	Charlevoix.....	2,760	
Kent.....	62,671	5	Otsego.....	1
Lapeer.....	25,140	2	Alcona.....	1,214	
Lenawee.....	46,084	3	Alpena.....	4,807	
Livingston.....	20,329	1	Iosco.....	4,782	1
Macomb.....	28,305	2	Ogemaw.....	.....
Marquette.....	21,946	2	Oscoda.....	.....
Mecosta.....	9,182	1	Montmorenci.....	1
Monroe.....	30,111	2	Emmet.....	1,272	
Montcalm.....	20,815	2	Cheboygan.....	2,070	
Muskegon.....	19,875	1	Presque Isle.....	1,615	1
Oakland.....	38,082	3	Mackinaw.....	1,496	
Ottawa.....	29,929	2	Chippewa.....	2,170	
Saginaw.....	48,400	3	Schoolcraft.....	1,290	1
Sanilac.....	16,292	1	Delta.....	4,741	
Shiawassee.....	21,773	2	Menominee.....	3,490	
St. Joseph.....	25,906	2	Keweenaw.....	5,415	1
St. Clair.....	40,688	3	Ontonagon.....	2,406	
Tuscola.....	16,998	1	Isle Royal.....	.....
Van Buren.....	29,156	2			
Washtenaw.....	38,723	3			
Wayne.....	144,903	10			
Oceana.....	8,360	1	Total.....		100
Newaygo.....	8,753				

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman.*

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,
The House went into committee of whole on the general order,
Mr. Ransom in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chair-
man, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following
bills:

- 1. House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of

proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

2. House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish ;

3. House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 50, and 59, of act No. 220 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ludington ;"

4. House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royal ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

5. House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section fourteen of an act entitled "An act to amend sections two and fourteen of chapter eighty-eight of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs ;'"

6. House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in Keweenaw county ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

JAMES W. RANSOM, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first, second, third, and fourth named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the several bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The fifth and sixth named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Walker, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to wait on President Abbot of the Agricultural College, and extend to him the invitation to deliver an address on the subject of Agricultural Education, as before ordered, and ask him to designate a time for such address ;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker announced as such committee Messrs. Walker, Hull, and Bailey.

The Speaker requested leave of absence for himself until Friday noon.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

Such leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, February 18, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mrs. F. W. Gillette.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Ferguson, E. H. Green, Hale, and Van Aken.

Mr. Huggett asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hale for the forenoon.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green indefinitely.

Mr. L. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ferguson indefinitely.

Mr. Robinson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Aken for one hour.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 417. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of L. Martin asking for a law for the better protection of deer;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 418. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Henry Yoe and 13 others, of Adrian, for the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 419. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of D. W. Smith of Barry county, and 23 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 420. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of J. H. Burch of Bridgeville, and others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 421. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of Charles Loomis of Aland, and 37 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 422. By Mr. A. K. Clark: Petition of John N. Scott, J. D. Olcott, and 28 others, asking a reduction on legal rates of interest;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 423. By Mr. Metcalf: Petition of Edward Twiss, Geo. W. Hudson, H. H. Chase, and 28 others, in relation to the sale of patent medicines:

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 424. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of Wm. A. Partridge and 38 others, against the passage of Senate bill No. 6, for the establishment of a board of medical censors.

On demand of Mr. Kilbourne,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of Ingham and adjoining counties, in the State of Michigan, remonstrate against the passage of Senate bill No. 6, or the enactment of any law with similar tyrannical provisions.

That bill assumes that the people of Michigan are incapable of taking care of themselves; that five Censors must decide who shall prescribe for them when sick; shall determine who shall pull teeth, set a broken bone, amputate a limb, or assist in child-birth.

It is a misdemeanor for a child to be born unless the mother is attended by a person holding a certificate from the State Board of Censors, though the case cannot be postponed.

No person can do a generous, sympathetic act of mercy, even where delay may result in death, until he has gone perhaps hundreds of miles, at large expense to find the merciless State Board of Censors and paid them five dollars for a Diploma, if their Royal Highness are willing to grant the ticket.

Are free citizens of Michigan to be told that they shall not receive the sympathy and attention of their neighbors, nor employ their family physician, without the consent of a State Chamber of five men, and that the person they desire shall be fined and imprisoned for doing you good?

A few doctors wish to make money faster, and have determined that the people must employ them or die.

That there is a vast amount of humbug in the profession and practice of medicine, no one doubts. So there is in farming, in day labor, in house-keeping, in law and religion, in the mechanic arts, in manufacturing, and in rearing children.

Why not also establish a State Board of Censors for each of these useful employments, and allow no one to preach, pray, practice law, mend a boot, darn a stocking, shoe a horse, make a shirt, spank a child, or nurse an infant or sick person, unless they have already practiced ten years in the State of Michigan, or paid five dollars for a certificate from a State Board of Censors, provided they in their infallible wisdom deign to grant it.

This bill carries us back to the dark ages, when the few had absolute power, and the people were vassals, or slaves.

Your representatives hardly believe that a bill with such odious provisions could now become a law, but we think it our duty to remonstrate against any and every attempt to destroy our God-given rights.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on public health.

No. 425. By Mr. Greiner, petition of Joseph Pulcher and 40 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 426. By Mr. Greiner: Petition of George Young and 39 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 427. By Mr. Daly: Memorial of James Moore, Sr., asking pay in money and swamp lands for services rendered.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The memorial was laid on the table.

No. 428. By Mr. Taylor: Memorial of the Board of Regents of the University, asking for the establishment of a hospital in connection with the University.

On demand of Mr. Taylor,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan:

The committee on the medical department of the University respectfully represent to your honorable body the following facts:

First.—The medical department of the University is in a high state of

efficiency, with an actual attendance of three hundred and seventy students.

Second.—Its efficiency now depends, and will in the future depend, largely upon the clinical advantages which it affords.

Third.—The reputation of its professors for skill and efficiency in their respective departments brings from all parts of the State, from other States, and from the neighboring dominion, a large number of afflicted persons, a majority of whom require delicate and skillful surgical operations.

Fourth.—One hundred and eighty-three (183) have actually received such treatment before the medical class during the first four months of the present session.

Fifth.—One old brick building, formerly used as a dwelling house, of limited capacity, poorly ventilated, and utterly unfit for the purpose, is the only provision we can afford for hospital facilities. These are naked facts. In the interest of this flourishing department of the University; in the interest of humanity, and with the object of still further extending our field of usefulness, we respectfully suggest that an appropriation of ten thousand dollars be asked for the purpose of affording such facilities for the care of the afflicted as in our judgment the cause of humanity imperatively demands.

In this connection we would further call your attention to the report made heretofore on a kindred subject by "the Commissioners on State Reformatory and Penal Institutions," to the Legislature.

C. RYND,
THOS. D. GILBERT,
ANDREW CLIMIE.

At a meeting of the Board of Regents, held at the University of Michigan, this seventeenth day of February, 1875, the foregoing report of the committee of the medical department of the University, was unanimously adopted, and a copy of the same was ordered to be transmitted to the chairman of the committee on "The University and Normal School."

H. D. BENNETT, *Secretary.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

No. 429. By Mr. Sutton: Petition of the board of supervisors of the county of Washtenaw, praying that a law be passed that all holders of claims or accounts against their respective counties shall present the same to the county clerk on or before the third Monday of October of each year; and that no account or claim shall be acted upon after that time, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members elect.

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 430. By Mr. Sutton: Petition of Edward Duffy, of Washtenaw county, to amend section 2 of chapter 49 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to the support of poor persons by their relatives.

Referred to the committee on State affairs,

No. 431. By Mr. Taylor: Petition of L. E. Woodward and 34 others, asking for an amendment to the lien laws.

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 432. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of Charles Rynd and 10 other regular practising physicians of the city of Adrian, asking for the passage of the bill introduced by Senator Thomas, or some other bill of similar import and character, in regard to establishing a board of medical censors;

Referred to the committee on public health.

the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Knight, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of an act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons, approved April 5, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Article III. of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Clio," approved April 18, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 6 of the session laws of 1869, authorizing circuit courts in chancery in the county of Wayne to refer causes pending in chancery to special commissioners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method of giving notices of the fees of county and township officers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill in relation to the disbursement of moneys from the Wayne county treasury.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 212, entitled

A bill to fix and determine the costs to be allowed to plaintiffs in suits at law in the circuit courts, where judgment is taken by default.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 213, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 71, 75, 78, 100, 131, and 153, of chapter 21, being sections 1037, 1041, 1044, 1066, 1097, and 1119, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Vandalia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. I. Green moved to amend by striking out in line 4 of recited section 7489, the words "one dollar," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one dollar and fifty cents;" also, by striking out in the same line the words "fifty cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five cents;"

Pending which,

Mr. Watkins moved to recommit the bill to the committee on judiciary, with instructions to bring in an amendment to the same, proposing to give witnesses attending courts of record the sum of one dollar and fifty cents per day, and seventy-five cents for each half day;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question then being upon agreeing to the amendment,

The same was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. I. Green moved to strike out all after the enacting clause of the bill;

Pending which,

Mr. Van Aken moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to recommit the bill to the committee on judiciary;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on recommitting the bill,

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to recommit prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Curry,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Stephens,
Benedict,	Daly,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Dow,	Ludington,	Taylor,

Mr. Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig,	Mr. Eggleston, Gerrish, L. Green, Greiner, Hollon, Houston, Hubbard, Huggett, Klein, Lee,	Mr. McLachlin, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Northrop, Ocobock, Preston, Remer, Rich, Schattler,	Mr. Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Copley, Garfield, Goodyear, Harden, Harris,	Mr. Hart, Hewitt, Howland, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Lay, Mercer,	Mr. Metcalf, Norton, Packard, Parker, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Robbins, Robinson, Smith,	Mr. Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Walker, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood, Yeckley,
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House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in Keweenaw county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Morse, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend by substituting 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt until Monday.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the reform school for the day.

Mr. Kilbourne asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the agricultural college, and Messrs. Knight, Billings and Parker for the afternoon.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Saturday noon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royal,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,

Mr. Craig, Curry, Daly, Eggleston,	Mr. Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Reed, Remer, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	80
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Mr. Bailey,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 50, and 59, of act No. 220 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ludington,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	84
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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cole,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	Whitney,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Cole,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wood,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Klein,	Rich,	Speaker,
Daly,	Knight,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14 of chapter 88 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Budlong,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Preston,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Cole,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by adding to section 6 the following :

The board of township canvassers of said township shall perform all the duties required to be performed by the inspectors of election of townships under the general election laws of the State, except as herein provided to the contrary. All returns of elections required by law to be made by township inspectors of election to the county clerk or board of county canvassers shall be made by the inspectors of said election precincts to said board of township canvassers. In case any member of such board of township canvassers is absent, or in case there is any vacancy or vacancies in said board, whenever said board is required to meet by the provisions of this act, or by any other law of this State, the electors present at the time and place of meeting of said board shall have power to fill all vacancies that may exist, and shall also have power to fill any vacancy that may occur in said board during its session, and the persons so chosen shall be members of such board of township canvassers during such session ;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Stephens,
Bailey,	Harden,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Hart,	Moshier,	Struble,
Berk,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Sutton,
Billings,	Houston,	Northrop,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Howland,	Norton,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walton,

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Klein,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Knight,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Lay,	Reed,	Whitney,
Dow,	Lee,	Remer,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Little,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Goodyear,	Ludington,	Schattler,	Speaker,
I. Green,	McLachlin,	Smith,	

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Mr. Mercer,

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill authorizing and instructing the Governor of the State of Michigan to convey private land claims Nos. 68 and 76 to the United States for the improvement of St. Mary's Falls canal,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

NOTICES.

Mr. Towne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking an appropriation of certain swamp lands in the township of Martin, in the county of Allegan, for the purpose of drainage and reclamation, and authority to change the direction of a certain water course or lake outlet.

Mr. Hewitt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent fraud and unnecessary expense in the settlement of estates of deceased persons.

Mr. I. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 10, being compiler's section 7442, chapter 239 of the Compiled Laws, entitled fees in civil cases;

Also,

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for the construction of the State road from Tyre, in the township of Austin, to the shore of Lake Huron.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the record of the Coit & Curtis partition plat of lands in the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent.

Mr. Bailey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the relief of James O. Brand.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to appropriate moneys from the State treasury, for the purpose of establishing a hospital in connection with the State University ;

Also,

A bill to require owners of stallions kept for breeding purposes, to file a certificate of pedigree with the county clerk of the county or counties in which said stallion is kept, and to secure the owners of stallions so registered for use of the same.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 1 and 8 of chapter 64 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the preservation of game and muskrats.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grant in said county ;

Also,

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Clayton.

Mr. Rich gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article IX. of the constitution of the State, relative to the salaries of the judges of the circuit courts.

Mr. Metcalf gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill requiring the vendors of patent medicines and medicinal compounds to label the same with a recipe of such medicine or compound.

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 4, chapter 69, Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan, being an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter forty-seven of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 22, 1869.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to ascertain the annual cereal products of the State of Michigan," approved February 14,

1859, being sections 804 and 805 of chapter 15 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add three new sections thereto.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Towne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to authorize Geo. H. Abrams to construct a dam and maintain head-gates at the outlet of Wall Lake, in the township of Hope, in the county of Barry, and to construct a race.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 200, entitled

A bill to provide for an annual appropriation for the benefit of the Pioneer Society of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on state affairs.

Mr. Lay, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ypsilanti.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 202, entitled

A bill to provide for the encouragement of manufacturing establishments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on manufactures.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to establish and organize a police court in the city of Grand Rapids," being act No. 396, of session laws of 1873, approved April 30, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 204, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to establish a police government for the city of Detroit."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Struble, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to amend section 15, of Article IV. of act No. 195, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix

the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Knight, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of an act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons, approved April 5, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Article III. of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Clio," approved April 18, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 208, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 6 of the session laws of 1869, authorizing circuit courts in chancery in the county of Wayne to refer causes pending in chancery to special commissioners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method of giving notices of the fees of county and township officers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill in relation to the disbursement of moneys from the Wayne county treasury.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 212, entitled

A bill to fix and determine the costs to be allowed to plaintiffs in suits at law in the circuit courts, where judgment is taken by default.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 213, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 71, 75, 78, 100, 131, and 153, of chapter 21, being sections 1037, 1041, 1044, 1066, 1097, and 1119, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Vandalia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. I. Green moved to amend by striking out in line 4 of recited section 7489, the words "one dollar," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one dollar and fifty cents;" also, by striking out in the same line the words "fifty cents," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "seventy-five cents;"

Pending which,

Mr. Watkins moved to recommit the bill to the committee on judiciary, with instructions to bring in an amendment to the same, proposing to give witnesses attending courts of record the sum of one dollar and fifty cents per day, and seventy-five cents for each half day;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question then being upon agreeing to the amendment,

The same was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. I. Green moved to strike out all after the enacting clause of the bill;

Pending which,

Mr. Van Aken moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to recommit the bill to the committee on judiciary;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on recommitting the bill,

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to recommit prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Curry,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Stephens,
Benedict,	Daly,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Dow,	Ludington,	Taylor,

Mr. Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig,	Mr. Eggleston, Gerrish, I. Green, Greiner, Hollon, Houston, Hubbard, Huggett, Klein, Lee,	Mr. McLachlin, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Northrop, Ocobock, Preston, Remer, Rich, Schattler,	Mr. Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,
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Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Copley, Garfield, Goodyear, Harden, Harris,	Mr. Hart, Hewitt, Howland, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Lay, Mercer,	Mr. Metcalf, Norton, Packard, Parker, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Robbins, Robinson, Smith,	Mr. Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Walker, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood, Yeckley,
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House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in Keweenaw county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Morse, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Goodyear moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend by substituting 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt until Monday.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the reform school for the day.

Mr. Kilbourne asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the agricultural college, and Messrs. Knight, Billings and Parker for the afternoon.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Saturday noon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royal,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,

Mr. Craig, Curry, Daly, Eggleston,	Mr. Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Reed, Remer, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	80
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Mr. Bailey,	1
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 5, 9, 10, 14, 19, 20, 27, 28, 33, 50, and 59, of act No. 220 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ludington,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,	84
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cole,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	Whitney,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Cole,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wood,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Klein,	Rich,	Speaker,
Daly,	Knight,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14 of chapter 88 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Budlong,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Preston,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Cole,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,

Mr. Copley,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Remer,	Mr. Wilson,	
Craig,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood,	
Curry,	Knight,	Robbins,	Yeckley,	
Daly,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker,	
Eggleston,	Lee,	Schattler,		83
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Norton,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. I. Green offered the following :

WHEREAS, The Grand Trunk Railroad company has, since the 31st day of October, 1873, persistently violated the provisions of section 1, of Article IV., of the general railroad law, which requires air-brakes to be attached to all regular passenger trains, and has also neglected to comply with other statutory requirements; therefore,

Resolved, That the commissioner of railroads be requested to commence legal proceedings against said company to enforce the collection of the penalties prescribed by law.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

The resolution was referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Briggs offered the following :

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the State Land Office be requested to furnish the House with the following information : The names of all the persons employed in his department, and the services performed by each person, and the salary paid to each person, and to state whether, in his opinion, the clerical force in his department could be reduced without detriment to the public service ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. F. O. Clark offered the following communications and resolution :

To Mrs. F. W. Gillette :

The undersigned being desirous of listening to your new lecture, called "Fanny Forrester," and having seen the encomiums passed upon it by the press, would respectfully request you to deliver the lecture in the hall of the House of Representatives, on such an evening as shall be convenient to you.

Jno. J. Bagley.
John H. Jones,
J. M. Osborn,
John Greusel,
W. H. C. Mitchell,
E. L. Gray,
LeRoy Parker,
S. L. Kilbourne,
F. O. Clark,
A. E. Preston,
John Houston,
S. Howland,
J. W. Ransom,

G. G. B. Yeckley,
E. C. Watkins,
E. L. Briggs,
Henry H. Holt,
Jos. A. Hollon,
L. T. Remer,
D. Van Raalte,
J. M. Benedict,
W. Livingstone, Jr.,
James Daly,
Cleaveland Hunt,
P. Klein.

To His Excellency, Gov. Bagley, Lieut. Gov. Holt, Senator Jones and others, Representatives Hollon, Parker, Watkins, Livingstone, Daly, and others :

GENTLEMEN—Your very kind note requesting me to deliver my lecture on “Fanny Forrester,” has been duly received. I return you my sincere thanks for the compliment paid to me, and accept your kind invitation. I would name the evening of Thursday, February 25, as the time for the delivery of the lecture.

I am, gentlemen,

Very respectfully,

FIDELIA W. GILLETTE.

Resolved, That the House do tender to her the use of this Hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 25.

Which resolution was adopted.

Mr. Robbins offered the following concurrent resolution :

WHEREAS, By act of Congress, approved February 14, 1871, the surviving soldiers of the war of 1812 who had served 60 days, and had been honorably discharged, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, were granted pensions ;

AND WHEREAS, There is a class of soldiers of said war of 1812 who do not come under the provisions of said act ;

AND WHEREAS, Most of such soldiers, and the widows of such as are deceased, are in indigent circumstances ; therefore,

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That in our opinion the provisions of said act should be so extended as to include all soldiers of the war of 1812 who have been honorably discharged after five days' service, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, and that the rules in relation to the proof of marriages of such soldiers be modified ;

Resolved, That the Governor be and he hereby is requested to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives now in Congress at Washington.

Laid over one day under the rules.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Bailey in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same ;”

2. House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake ;

3. House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Independent Order of Philanthropists, of the State of Michigan ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

4. House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize the employés of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track ;

5. House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second, and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being upon concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the fourth and fifth named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Livingstone, out of order, by unanimous consent, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor, the following bills and joint resolution :

1. House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto ;

2. House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, 1834, and the acts amendatory thereto ;

3. House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elmira ;

4. House bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of James to purchase of the "Swan Creek & Saginaw Bridge Company" its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge ;"

5. House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a lighthouse and fog bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, February 19, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Kilbourne and Packard.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Kilbourne for the forenoon.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Packard for half an hour.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 438. By Mr. Billings: Memorial of the supervisors and communication from the clerk of Genesee county.

Mr. Billings demanded that the memorial and communication be read at length and spread at large on the journal;

To the journalizing of which Mr. Taylor objected.

Mr. Klein moved to lay the memorial and communication upon the table.

Mr. Daly demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay upon the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Craig,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Preston,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Ransom,
Bartow,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Houston,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hubbard	Neff,	Sweetland,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Cole,	Keyes,	Potter,	31

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Stowe.
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Moshier,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Parker,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ranney,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Remer,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wilson,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Lee,	Smith,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Little,	Stephens,	59

The question being upon spreading the memorial at large upon the journal, a lengthy discussion occurred, after which

Mr. Watkins demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded by a majority of the House.

The question being shall the previous question be now put,

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion for the previous question prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Little,	Smith,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Rich.	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker, 88

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Sutton,	Mr. Sweetland,
I. Green,			5

The question being upon spreading the memorial at large upon the journal, Mr. Ransom demanded a division of the question.

The several subdivisions of the preambles and the several resolutions were then ordered spread upon the journal, as follows:

At the January session of the board of supervisors of Genesee county, the following sets of resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has come to pass that the unwelcome, yet oft demonstrated fact has been urged home with redoubled force upon the worthy citizens of Genesee county, that the places we have loved to cherish as the most hallowed and sacred on earth (being the beautiful and retired repositories of our dead), have become insecure and unprotected; and

WHEREAS, These once quiet resting places of our departed friends have become the favorite resort of the vile ruffian and the heartless wretch, who, mid the darkness and the solemn stillness of the midnight hour, while stricken ones, with hearts beclouded and draped in the deepest mourning, have bedewed their sleepless pillow with the bitter tears of affection, have dared to enter those sacred enclosures, and with fiendish hands, all dripping with guilt and crime, have ruthlessly snatched from their graves the remains of many of these loved ones, and have inhumanly transmitted the same as common mer-

chandise, to the State University at Ann Arbor, and this too for pecuniary gain, tendered and paid by the authorities of said University; and

WHEREAS, A large expense has been incurred and paid by this county (and the end is not yet), for official and non-official service in searching for, identifying, and recovering, in several cases, such remains from said University, and further, for the arrest, examination, and holding for pending trial parties whose record we have reason to believe is marred indelibly with atrocious crime; and

WHEREAS, We regard with utter disdain and disrespect any faculty or institution which has or shall thus open a market for such an inhuman traffic; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Board of Supervisors of Genesee county, that the clerk of said board be and he is hereby instructed to prepare a condensed statement, officially signed, of the aggregate expenses incurred, and forward the same to our honorable Senators and Representatives in the State Legislature, requesting them, in behalf of this board and the worthy constituents whom we have the honor to represent, to urge a re-imbursement to this county of the amount so specified; and be it further

Resolved, That we respectfully suggest that the same be charged back to said University in any appropriation that may hereafter be made for its benefit.

The following is the communication:

STATE OF MICHIGAN.
GENESEE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, }
Flint, Mich., January 25, 1875. }

HON. S. R. BILLINGS, DEAR SIR,—Enclosed find resolutions, etc., which explain themselves:

The aggregate expense to which they refer, and which has already been allowed by the Board of Supervisors, is \$407 73.

Which I certify to be correct.

L. D. COOK, *Clerk*.

Supervisor Campbell offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The instinct of our nature, the usages of society, and the laws of every civilized nation, all recognize the repository of our dead as a sacred place; and

WHEREAS, The dead bodies of our friends and fellow-citizens have been ruthlessly torn from their last resting place by vile and ruthless hands; and

WHEREAS, Instances of this kind are becoming alarmingly frequent; and

WHEREAS, A number of the bodies of respectable citizens of Genesee county have been found at the State University at Ann Arbor; and

WHEREAS, The law providing for the punishment of such crimes, is in our judgment inadequate, and ought to be amended so as to furnish greater protection in this behalf; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Board of Supervisors of Genesee county, that our Senators and Representatives in the State Legislature be, and are hereby requested to use their influence, and all honorable means to secure an amendment to said law that will increase the punishment, and secure greater protection in relation to crimes of this character; and they would also suggest the propriety of so amending the law, that the authorities of the University of the State of Michigan be required to keep a record, certified to under oath, of the dead bodies by them received, of whom received, who they were, and where from; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be forwarded to our Representatives in the State Legislature.

Pending the reference of the memorial and communication,

Mr. Benjamin moved that a special committee of three be appointed, to whom should be referred the petition of the Board of Supervisors of Genesee county, who should have power to investigate the statement therein set forth in regard to the reception of dead bodies at the State University, with power to send for persons and papers, and examine under oath and take affidavits ;

Which motion prevailed.

No. 439. By Mr. A. K. Clark : Petition of Wm. H. Davenport, J. W. Hale, and 25 others, to produce uniformity of practice of taxing costs in justice courts ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 440. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of A. W. Lyman and 287 others, for the organization of the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 441. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Wm. Cameron and 116 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 442. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of D. W. Jutosh and 77 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 443. By Mr. Churchill : Petition for the organization of union school district No. 1 in the township of Long Rapids, in the county of Alpena ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 444. By Mr. Churchill : Petition for the organization of union school district No. 1 in the township of Wilson, Alpena county ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 445. By Mr. Hart : Petition of W. Grant and 28 others, asking that certain territory be detached from the township of Gladwin in the county of Gladwin, and attached to the township of Grant, in said county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 446. By Mr. Hart : Petition of James Dow and 17 others, asking to have certain territory detached from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organized into a separate township, to be known as the township of Clayton ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 447. By Mr. Hart : Petition of A. B. Foster and 57 others, asking for the organization of Gladwin county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 448. By Mr. Van Aken : Petition of E. J. Parker, D. C. Phillips and 50 other citizens of Branch county, asking that the tax law be so amended that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment.

On demand of Mr. Van Aken,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :
To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in Legislature convened :

We, the undersigned citizens of the county of Branch, realizing, in these times of financial trial, the importance of decreasing taxation and bringing about a more equal adjustment of the burdens imposed ; and as it is an undeniable fact that much property invested in bonds, mortgages, and other evidences of

indebtedness, escapes its fair proportion of taxation, now for the purpose of avoiding and redressing this wrong we do petition your honorable body to amend the tax laws of our State so that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment, but that the owner of mortgaged real estate shall be taxed the same as if his property was not encumbered; but he may apply so much of the tax upon a payment of principal or interest upon the mortgage, as would be a fair proportion to be assessed upon the mortgage in proportion to its amount as compared with the value of the property.

All of which we do most earnestly and respectfully ask and submit to the consideration of your honorable body.

The petition was referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 449. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of William Henry and 171 others, of Detroit, for the passage of a law requiring engineers of stationary steam engines to be examined and licensed.

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned would most respectfully pray your honorable body to pass a law requiring engineers of stationary steam engines to be examined and licensed. The passage of such a law would be of great benefit to the public at large, and at the same time protect life and property by the employment of competent engineers.

The petition was referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 450. By Mr. Walton: Petition of Wm. Michil and 111 others to organize the township of Frazer, in Bay county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 451. By Mr. Bailey: Petition of S. T. Parsons and 30 others, asking for the repeal of sec. 9, chapter 45, Compiled Laws of 1871, levying a specific tax on insurance premiums;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 452. The Speaker announced the following: Petition of Jacob H. Mosher, Geo. Harris, and 51 others, asking Congress to give to each soldier of the late war \$200 in greenbacks as a special bounty, instead of enacting any bounty land law;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was recommitted

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to authorize the commissioners of highways to purchase the interest of any plank road or toll road company for that portion of such road situated in their respective townships,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section one of an act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders, approved April 29, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons, for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the Agricultural College:

The committee on Agricultural College, being one of the committees requested to ascertain the amount paid for insurance on the several State institutions for the last ten years, and the date of the issue of the last policy, and the expiration of the same, would respectfully report that they have had the matter under consideration, and have instructed me to present the accompany-

ing statement furnishing the requisite information, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. A. B. COPLEY, *Chairman*.

The following is the statement:

TABLE showing the Amount of Insurance on Property belonging to the Michigan State Agricultural College, and the Date on which each Policy Expires.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY INSURED.	NAME OF COMPANY.										Total Amount of Insurance.
	HOME.		DETROIT FIRE AND MARINE.		ETHA.		WATERTOWN, OF NEW YORK.		NORTH AMERICAN.		
	Amount Insured.	Policy Expires.	Amount Insured.	Policy Expires.	Amount Insured.	Policy Expires.	Amount Insured.	Policy Expires.	Amount Insured.	Policy Expires.	
.....	\$3,500 00	June 24, '75.	\$2,500 00	July 1, 1875.	\$5,000 00
.....	\$5,000 00	January 11, 1876.	5,500 00	June 24, 1875.	\$5,000 00	August 25, 1875.	5,500 00	July 1, 1875.	21,000 00
.....	500 00	June 30, 1875.	500 00	July 1, 1875.	1,000 00
.....	2,000 00	January 11, 1876.	2,000 00
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.....	Sept. 9, 1877.	1,500 00
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TABLE showing the Amount of Premiums paid on Insurance Policies on Property belonging to the State Agricultural College, from 1865 to 1874, inclusive.

1865.	1866.	1867.	1868.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	1874.	TOTAL.
\$25 25	\$24 00	\$27 30	\$53 60	\$485 08	\$133 67	\$597 30	\$597 30	\$837 30	\$845 00	\$1,719 45

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Societies of St. Patrick,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. KEYES, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 18, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State:

An act to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to provide money for the construction of public sewers.

An act to amend sections 18 and 20 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments.

An act fixing the time of election of Recorder of the city of Detroit.

An act to detach certain territory from the township of Baraga, in the county of Houghton, and attach it to the township of Portage, in said county of Houghton.

Concurrent resolution to arrange for the transportation of the committees to visit the State Institutions.

Joint resolution relative to the Reciprocity Treaty.

And an act to authorize the common council of the city of Port Huron to reassess the expenses of constructing sewers in said city upon the lands, lots, and premises benefited thereby.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following :

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
STATE LAND OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 19th, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the following resolution, which was adopted by the House on the 18th inst.:

“*Resolved*, That the Commissioner of the State Land Office be requested to furnish the House with the following information: The names of all the persons employed in his department, and the services performed by each person, and the salary paid to each person, and to state whether, in his opinion, the

clerical force in his department could be reduced without detriment to the public service."

Herewith is transmitted the statement solicited. As to a reduction of the clerical force, permit me to say that during the past year a reduction from seventeen to eleven has been made. I am of the opinion that the public service would not justify a further reduction at present, as the interest on all part-paid lands will be due March 1st, and the busiest portion of the year for this department is near at hand.

Very respectfully,
L. A. CLAPP,
Commissioner.

The following is the statement :

Names of Employees.	KIND OF SERVICE PERFORMED.	Amount Paid per Month.
O. A. Bowen.....	Deputy Commissioner.....	\$116 66
H. P. Cherry.....	Book-keeper.....	88 33
William Ennis.....	Assistant Book-keeper.....	88 33
John T. Page.....	Regular Clerk, attends to correspondence and sales of land.	88 33
J. E. Sherman.....	Draughtsman.....	88 33
R. B. DeViney.....	Making an abstract of State lands for office use, and for counties and individuals.....	88 33
H. B. Turner.....	Making an abstract of State lands for office use, and for counties and individuals.....	88 33
Elias Shafer.....	Copying field notes for office use, and for counties and individuals.....	88 33
J. B. Hamilton...	Copying field notes for office use, and for counties and individuals.....	88 33
J. A. Bowen.....	Copying field notes for office use, and for counties and individuals.....	70 00
Merritt Lewis.....	Filing letters, papers, and doing miscellaneous work.....	75 00

The communication was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,)
STATE LAND OFFICE,)
Lansing, February 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—As requested by a resolution of the House, adopted on the 17th inst., there is transmitted herewith "A statement, showing the amount of ditch taxes assessed against State and part-paid lands as reported by county drain commissioners, the counties from which said taxes are reported, and the years in which they were assessed," as shown by the books of this office.

Very respectfully,
L. A. CLAPP,
Commissioner.

The following is the statement:

STATEMENT showing by Counties, the amount of unpaid Drain Taxes upon vacant State and Part-paid Lands and the years for which the same were assessed, as shown by the books of the State Land Office.

COUNTIES.	1862.	1863.	1864.	1865.	1869.	1870.	1871.	1872.	1873.	Total.
Branch.....							\$86 60	\$2 04		\$128 64
Clinton.....					\$556 00		802 24			858 24
Gratiot.....							57 59	2,676 84	\$1 07	2,785 00
Ingham.....						\$94 87	240 40			334 97
Kalamazoo.....						18 61		88 60		97 21
Lapeer.....							88 86			88 86
Lenawee.....	\$38 47			\$1,080 40	220 82	1 20		84 00		1,374 89
Livingston.....		\$71 83	\$26 83	80 27	40 09					169 12
Midland.....									8 45	8 45
Ottawa.....					762 89					762 89
Saginaw.....					1 46					1 46
St. Clair.....				18 20	894 95	210 50	6 06			1,129 71
St. Joseph.....									112 00	112 00
Tuscola.....					895 00					895 00
Van Buren.....					83 68	98 52		9 05	80 91	227 16
Washtenaw.....							842 82			842 82
Wayne.....				17 01						17 01
Total.....										\$3,726 22

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 6, being section 41 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to notice of election to fill vacancy;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend section 42 of chapter 4244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages;

2. Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds, and other instruments affecting the title to real estate;

3. Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes;"

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution giving construction to section 4 of act No. 124, of the laws of 1873, relative to the expenses incurred by the Board of Commissioners of Fisheries;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and pending the reference,

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the joint resolution was put upon the order of third reading of bills.

NOTICES.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the common council of any city, or the board of trustees or common council of any incorporated village, to pass ordinances or by-laws to forbid the sale of intoxicating liquors, and regulate public houses and other places of business.

Mr. Mercer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 26 of Compiled Laws of 1871 as amended by act No. 130, Laws of 1873, relative to the laying out of highways through orchards.

Mr. Craig gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the catching of fish in certain waters of this State.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

Mr. Daly gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Detroit, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes therein ;

Also,

A bill to repeal section 35, of chapter 7 of the amended charter of the city of Detroit.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Republic, in Marquette county.

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill appropriating State swamp lands to improve the State Road from Hastings to Lowell ;

Also,

A bill making an appropriation to lower Thornapple Lake, in Barry county.

Mr. Metcalf gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 5 of an act entitled 'An act to protect fish and preserve the fisheries of this State,' approved March twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-five, being section 2076 of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one," approved April 15, 1873.

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 8, chapter 26, being compiler's section 1259 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads.

Mr. Remer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the relief of Joseph Probst, of the county of St. Clair.

Mr. Morse gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the assessment of certain ditch taxes in the townships of Wheeler and La Fayette, Gratiot county ;

Also,

A bill to authorize and direct the Auditor General to credit certain ditch taxes to Gratiot county.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 41, chapter 216 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to collection of fines, forfeitures and recognizances.

Also,

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, of an act entitled "An act to prohibit the maintaining of suits in equity by judgment creditors, bill to provide a remedy at law in lieu, and to repeal sections 6513, 6514, 6515, 6517, 6518, 6520 and 6521 of the Compiled Laws of 1871."

Mr. Ludington gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to define and regulate the introduction of evidence in certain actions relating to real estate sold for non-payment of taxes.

Mr. Stowe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the opening and improvement of roads on the line between adjoining townships," approved March 19, 1863, being compiler's section 1214 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, also to add one new section thereto.

Mr. Preston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the incorporation of societies for the prevention of cruelty to children ;

Also,

A bill relating to children.

Mr. Churchill gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the county of Cheboygan to issue bonds for the improvement of Cheboygan River Harbor ;

Also,

A bill to authorize the formation of Union School District No. 1 in the township of Long Rapids in the county of Alpena ;

Also,

A bill to authorize the formation of union school district No. 1, in township of Wilson, in the county of Alpena ;

Also,

A bill to have certain territory now attached to the township of Presque Isle, Presque Isle county, detached therefrom, and to have the same organized into a new township, to be known as the township of Posen ;

Also,

A bill to have certain territory now attached to the township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, detached therefrom, and the same organized into a new township, to be known as the township of Moltke ;

Also,

A bill to have certain territory now attached to the township of Rogers, in Presque Isle county, detached therefrom, and have the same organized into a new township, to be known as the township of Bismarck.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to protect wild pigeons while nesting and brooding.

Mr. Backus gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Stanton, Montcalm county.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to permit the supervisors of the counties of Ontonagon and Keweenaw to purchase for the counties lands sold on the five years delinquent tax sales.

Mr. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Benton, in the county of Berrien, to make an appropriation in money for the improvement of the Benton Harbor Ship Canal.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to require railroad companies to notify the Commissioner of Railroads and coroners of accidents occurring on their roads, and the investigation of the same.

Mr. Dow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one, eighteen, and twenty of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Farmington.

Mr. L. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of Butler.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to organize a school of mines in the University of Michigan, the establishment of additional professorships, and making appropriations for maintenance of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on university and normal school, agricultural college, and mines and minerals, jointly.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 217, entitled

A bill to amend section five thousand five hundred and twenty-five of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to repeal section five thousand five hundred and sixty-six of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in criminal cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 218, entitled

A bill to authorize the school inspectors of the townships of Carlton and Hastings, in the county of Barry, to organize certain school districts therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Hewitt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 219, entitled

A bill to prevent fraud and unnecessary expense in the settlement of estates of deceased persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 220, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 242 of the Session Laws of 1869 by adding four new sections thereto, to stand as sections 3, 4, 5, and 6, relative to railroads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 221, entitled

A bill to promote the early construction of a railroad through the "Menominee Iron Range."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair, relating to the appointment of city marshal.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The rules were suspended and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to cancel Asylum Land certificate No. 346, and to refund to the purchaser thereof the purchase money therefor.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 223, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Lansing to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against the city of Lansing, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 224, entitled

A bill to amend section 10, being compiler's section 7442, chapter 239 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Fees in civil cases."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 225, entitled

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for the construction of the Tyre and Lake Huron State Road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 226, entitled

A bill to require owners of stallions kept for breeding purposes to file a cer-

tificate of the pedigree of such stallion with the clerk of the county or counties in which such stallions are kept, and to secure the owners of such stallions so registered, for the payment for the services of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 9, 10, 14, and 16 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Grand Rapids," approved March 15, 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to legalize the record of the Coit & Curtis partition plat of lands in the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Gladwin.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Clayton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hart, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grout, in said county of Gladwin.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Rich, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 232, entitled

A bill to amend section 67 of chapter 267 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 8112, relating to the State Prison, the government and discipline thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Ogemaw, and to establish the county seat thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 234, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 8 of chapter 64 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the preservation of game and muskrats.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Bailey, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 235, entitled

A bill for the relief of James C. Brand.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Smith moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend by making the time 2 o'clock P. M.

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House then resumed the order of

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 236, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 11, being sections 6731 and 6736 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to actions of replevin.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 237, entitled

A bill relative to the formation of co-operative associations by mechanics, laboring men and others, being a bill to amend section 6 of chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Parker, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 238, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Flint to hold its elections in the corporate limits of the city of Flint.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on elections and judiciary jointly.

Mr. Ransom, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of public works of the city of Grand Rapids and the commissioners of highways of the townships adjacent to said city to unite in the improvement of highways lying between said city and said townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Ransom, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 240 entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 4 of title one; sections 1, 3, 4 and 10 of title two, sections 2, 15, 14, and 21 of title three; sections 6, 13, 14, 28 and 34 of title four; sections 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of title five; sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 15, 35 and 60 of title six; sections 4 and 6 of title seven, and sections 11, 13, 17, and 19 of title eleven; and to add to title three two new sections to be known as sections 26 and 27 of said title, respectively; and to add to title six six new sections to be known as sections 86, 87, 88, 89, 90 and 91 of said title, respectively, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ransom, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 241, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 9, 13, 14, 17 and 29 of an act entitled "An act to authorize a board of public works in and for the city of Grand Rapids," approved March 22, 1873, and to repeal section 11 thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Whitney, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the first ward of the city of Muskegon, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on local taxation.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax-roll of the city of Detroit for 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon the order of third reading of bills.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robinson,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Berk,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Neff,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Parker,	Walton,
Cole,	Keyes,	Preston,	Watkins,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Knight,	Reed,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lay,	Remer,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Rich,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	Yeckley, 80

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Mr. Hart,	Mr. Van Aken,	Mr. Whitney,	Mr. Speaker, 4
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize the employes of railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Shattler,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Berk,	Harden,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hart,	Neff,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Townsend,

Mr. C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Norton, Ocobock, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robinson,	Mr. Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Goodyear, Harris, Hull,	Mr. Keyes, Mercer, Moshier,	Mr. Packard, Robbins, Towne,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wood,
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Huggett moved to amend the title by striking out the words "the employés of,"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lay, Little,	Mr. Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Hart, Mr. Lee, Mr. Morse, Mr. Van Aken, 5
 Whitney.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Bartow,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Towne,
Billings,	Huggett,	Preston,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Walker,
Cole,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Watkins,
Curry,	Lay,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Livingstone,	Rich,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Ludington,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Gerrish,	Mercer,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,	Speaker,
Hart,	Morse,		

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Mr. Backus,	Mr. Craig,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Packard,
Benedict.	Dow,	Klein,	Robinson,
Benjamin,	Garfield,	Knight,	Smith,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Badlong,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Harris,	Moshier,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Neff,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Houston,	Norton,	Wilson,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Rich moved that Mr. Billings be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Billings then voted as recorded above.

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Independent order of Philanthropists of the State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Morse,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Norton,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hull,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Daly,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,
Dow,	Lay,	Rich,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Little,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Ludington,		

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Whitney moved to amend by inserting in line 2 of section 25, after the word "election," the word "who ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Berk,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Norton,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wiley,

Mr. Curry, Daly, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight,	Mr. Ranney, Ransom, Reed,	Mr. Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,	
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution giving construction to section 4 of act No. 124 of the laws of 1873, relative to the expenses incurred by the board of commissioners on fisheries,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Little moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave: Messrs. Churchill, Remer, West, and Wood.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees.

On motion of Mr. Knight,

Mr. Churchill, being reported ill, was deemed excused.

Mr. Goodyear moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The motion was laid upon the table.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Wood at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

Mr. Wood was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, except the bringing in of the absentees and the rendering of excuses.

The joint resolution was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark,	Mr. Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton,	Mr. Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend,
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Mr. F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich,	Mr. Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Backus, E. A. Brown, Dow,	Mr. Harris, Hart,	Mr. Van Aken, I. P. Wheeler,	Mr. Wiley, Wood,
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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair, relating to the appointment of city marshal,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, •Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Townsend,	Mr. Walton,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. West at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Mr. West was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Detroit for 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking the vote on the passage thereof,

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Remer at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

Mr. Remer was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Walker moved that the bill be referred to the committee on ways and means;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	L. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Schattler,	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Rich offered the following:

Resolved, That the standing committee of the House on the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb, and the Blind, be authorized to examine into the manage-

Mr. C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Norton, Ocobock, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robinson,	Mr. Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Goodyear, Harris, Hull,	Mr. Keyes, Mercer, Moshier,	Mr. Packard, Robbins, Towne,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wood,
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Huggett moved to amend the title by striking out the words "the employés of,"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lay, Little,	Mr. Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Mr. Hart, Mr. Lee, Mr. Morse, Mr. Van Aken, 5
Whitney.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Bartow,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Towne,
Billings,	Huggett,	Preston,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Walker,
Cole,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Watkins,
Curry,	Lay,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Livingstone,	Rich,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Ludington,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Gerrish,	Mercer,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,	Speaker,
Hart,	Morse,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Craig,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Packard,
Benedict.	Dow,	Klein,	Robinson,
Benjamin,	Garfield,	Knight,	Smith,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Budlong,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Harris,	Moshier,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Neff,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Houston,	Norton,	Wilson,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Rich moved that Mr. Billings be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Billings then voted as recorded above.

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Independent order of Philanthropists of the State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,

Mr. Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. Greiner, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington,	Mr. Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler,	Mr. Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo and State of Michigan,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Whitney moved to amend by inserting in line 2 of section 25, after the word "election," the word "who ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Preston,	Mr. Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley,
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Mr. Curry, Daly, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight,	Mr. Ranney, Ransom, Reed,	Mr. Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,	
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		NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution giving construction to section 4 of act No. 124 of the laws of 1873, relative to the expenses incurred by the board of commissioners on fisheries,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Little moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave: Messrs. Churchill, Remer, West, and Wood.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees.

On motion of Mr. Knight,

Mr. Churchill, being reported ill, was deemed excused.

Mr. Goodyear moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The motion was laid upon the table.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Wood at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

Mr. Wood was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, except the bringing in of the absentees and the rendering of excuses.

The joint resolution was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Berk,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Morse,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Howland,	Neff,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Norton,	Townsend,

Mr. F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich,	Mr. Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, Wilson, Yeckley, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Backus, E. A. Brown, Dow,	Mr. Harris, Hart,	Mr. Van Aken, I. P. Wheeler,	Mr. Wiley, Wood,
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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair, relating to the appointment of city marshal,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, •Wood, Yeckley, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Townsend,	Mr. Walton,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. West at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Mr. West was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Detroit for 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking the vote on the passage thereof,

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Remer at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

Mr. Remer was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Walker moved that the bill be referred to the committee on ways and means;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	L. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Schattler,	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Rich offered the following:

Resolved, That the standing committee of the House on the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb, and the Blind, be authorized to examine into the manage-

ment, government, and affairs of said Institution, with power to examine, under oath, and to send for persons and papers ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wilson moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections one (1) and fourteen (14) of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

(On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on education.

Mr. Klein offered the following :

Resolved, That the rules governing the giving of notices are hereby suspended, and that members of this House send in their notices to the Clerk's desk, and when the order of business arrives for giving notice, the Speaker shall announce that order, and the Clerk read the notices so placed on his desk ;

Which was adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following concurrent resolution :

WHEREAS, By act of Congress, approved February 14, 1871, the surviving soldiers of the war of 1812, who had served 60 days, and had been honorably discharged, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, were granted pensions ;

AND WHEREAS, There is a class of soldiers of said war of 1812 who do not come under the provisions of said act ;

AND WHEREAS, Most of such soldiers, and the widows of such as are deceased, are in indigent circumstances ; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That in our opinion the provisions of said act should be so extended as to include all soldiers of the war of 1812 who have been honorably discharged after five days' service, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, and that the rules in relation to the proof of marriages of such soldiers be modified ;

Resolved, That the Governor be and he hereby is requested to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives now in Congress at Washington ;

The question being on the adoption of the same,

Mr. Robbins demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the concurrent resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Moshier,	Taylor,

Mr. C. Brown,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Neff,	Mr. Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Klein,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lay,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Rich,	Mr. Townsend,
Billings,	Meyer,	Smith,	Van Aken,
Garfield,	Morse,	Stowe,	I. P. Wheeler, 12

Mr. Parker, by unanimous consent, moved that the House resume the order of notices ;

Which motion prevailed.

The House then resumed the order of

NOTICES.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 34 of "An act relative to the organization and powers of fire and marine insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 2998 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize and empower the joint board of supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to survey the boundary line between their respective counties, in order to determine the fractional sections, for purposes of assessment for taxation.

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science," being compiler's sections 2110, 2111, 2112, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Parker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill apportioning to the city of Flint a part of the bonded indebtedness of the township of Burton ;

Also,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Flint ;

Also,

A bill to authorize cities and townships to raise money by taxation, for the purpose of paying their bonded indebtedness ;

Also,

A bill to authorize cities, villages and townships to license taverns, hotels, victualing houses, saloons and other houses or places for furnishing meals, food, or drink, and billiard tables and ball alleys, and to regulate the same.

Mr. Eggleston gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheshire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874.

Mr. Klein gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 86, chapter 10 of the Compiled Laws, being section 574 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to coroners.

Mr. Wilson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for election districts in townships having more than 400 voters therein.

Mr. Rich gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of State property, and to define his powers and duties and to fix his compensation;

Also,

A bill to provide for a county board of education.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the return and settlement of tax sales of county treasurers," being section 1136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Knight in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gymnastic associations," being Chapter 124 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

2. House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

3. House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex township forty-one (41) north, of range thirty-three (33) west, to the township of Menominee and county of Menominee;

Have made an amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

4. House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15th, 1871, being section 924 in chapter 19 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.
G. E. KNIGHT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the third named bill by the committee of the whole, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee of the whole, to strike out all after the enacting clause of the fourth named bill.

The title and enacting clause were laid on the table.

Mr. Eggleston, out of order, by unanimous consent, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheah-ire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Harden,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By unanimous consent, the following reports were made:

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Crawford, and the townships of Grayling, Center Plains, and Crawford therein,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

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2. House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

3. House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex township forty-one (41) north, of range thirty-three (33) west, to the township of Menominee and county of Menominee;

Have made an amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

4. House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15th, 1871, being section 924 in chapter 19 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

G. E. KNIGHT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first and second named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the third named bill by the committee of the whole, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee of the whole, to strike out all after the enacting clause of the fourth named bill.

The title and enacting clause were laid on the table.

Mr. Eggleston, out of order, by unanimous consent, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheah-ire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Harden,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By unanimous consent, the following reports were made:

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Crawford, and the townships of Grayling, Center Plains, and Crawford therein,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Schattler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

On motion of Mr. Howland,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Saturday, February 20, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Crosby.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Churchill, Greiner, Keyes, Northrop, and Stowe.

Mr. Robbins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Keyes for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stowe until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Greiner until Tuesday on account of sickness.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for one hour.

Mr. Hollon asked and obtained leave of absence for himself indefinitely on account of his health.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Churchill for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Daly asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Northrop until Monday.

Mr. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Preston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Hollon, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of, and re-commit to special committee on the liquor traffic,

House bill No 128, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors, and malt, brewed, and fermented liquors and beverages;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Remer, by unanimous consent, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the recommendation of the committee of the whole, in striking out all after the enacting clause of

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15th, 1871, being section 924 in chapter 19 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole to strike out all after the enacting clause of the bill,

Mr. Watkins moved to recommit the bill to the committees on ways and means and military affairs jointly.

Mr. Livingstone demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to recommit prevailed by yeas and nays as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Billings,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Meyer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Morse,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Cole,	Howland,	Packard,	Walker,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
Curry,	Huggett,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hull,	Preston,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Reed,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lee,	Remer,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Little,	Rich,	63

NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Copley,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Townsend,
Benedict,	Eggleston,	Mercer,	Walton,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Norton,	I. P. Wheeler,
E. A. Brown,	Harden,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Stephens,	Yeckley,
Campbell,	Klein,	Sutton,	23

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Klein moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above.

The bill was then re-committed to the committees on ways and means and military affairs jointly.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 453. By Mr. Klein : Petition of H. Strasburg, A. F. Diedrich and others, for the taxation of church property.

On demand of Mr. Klein,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned, citizens of Detroit, respectfully petition your honorable body for the repeal of sub-division 9 of section 971, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, exempting church property from taxation.

They maintain :

1. That inasmuch as church property enjoys the benefits and protection of government, it ought to contribute ratably to its support.

2. That the exemption of church property from taxation necessarily increases the burdens thereof on all other property, to the extent of such exemption. Inasmuch as the State recognizes no religion, and the adherents of each church constitute a very small minority of the community at large, such exemption operates as an indirect mode of sustaining private enterprise by public means ; of imposing burdens on the many for the benefit of the few.

3. That the tendency of such legislation as is here sought to be repealed, is pernicious. Unless there be within the State some power whose prerogative it is to determine what constitutes public worship or religion, it necessarily follows that all sects and doctrinarians who call attendance upon their teachings public worship, and the acceptance of such teachings a religion, can, under the present law, claim for their property exemption from taxation. The existence of such a power on the other hand is negatived by the spirit of our Constitution, and cases might arise in which its exercise would be fraught with serious consequences.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

The petition was referred to the committees on religious and benevolent societies and ways and means jointly.

No. 454. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Robert Hood, George Little, W. B. McGill, and 215 others, for the organization of a new county, to be called the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 455. By Mr. Eggleston : Petition of Stephen S. Stout and John Mock lenate asking for an extension of time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheshire, Allegan county, for the year 1874 ;

Referred to the committee on local taxation.

No. 456. By Mr. Curry : Petition of H. H. Stafford, Russell Wetmore, A. P. Sanford, and 201 others, citizens of Marquette, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 457. By Mr. Curry : Petition of Frank Austin, A. J. Danton, and 70 others, citizens of Ishpeming, relative to the liquor traffic ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 458. By Mr. Van Aken : Petition of Seth Monroe and 47 others, citizens of Branch county, asking that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 459. By Mr. E. H. Green : Petition of Norman Larabee and 42 others, praying the Legislature to detach a portion of Central Lake township, in Antrim county, and organize the same into a separate township to be named Echo ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 460. By Mr. Robbins : Petition of M. E. Knight, F. C. Beaman, F. J. Bush, Henry Hart, S. B. Smith, and 151 others, residents of the city of Adrian, asking that the charter of the city of Adrian be so amended as to place the

entire charge of the poor of the city under the control of the county superintendents of the poor;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 461. By Mr. A. R. Wheeler: Petition of E. J. Shirts, A. E. Baker, and 94 others for the protection of pigeons while nesting and brooding;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 462. By Mr. Morse: Petition of H. S. Norton, Wm. Taylor, and 100 others, asking that, if any changes are made in the charter of the Saginaw and St. Clair plank road company, said charter be repealed or vacated;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 463. By Mr. Morse: Petition of J. C. Giddings and 404 other citizens of Gratiot county, asking that certain territory be detached from the 10th judicial district, and formed into a new district, to be known as the 21st judicial district.

On demand of Mr. Morse,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned, residents and tax-payers of the county of Gratiot, believing that the 10th judicial circuit is too large, and that it is impossible for one circuit judge to do justice to the business of said circuit as it is now constituted, pray your Honorable body to divide said circuit, and that Saginaw county may hereafter constitute the 10th judicial circuit; and that the counties of Gratiot, Isabella, Midland, Clare, Roscommon, and Gladwin, be formed into a new judicial circuit, to be known as the 21st judicial circuit. And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

The petition was referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 464. By Mr. Craig: Petition of the Audubon Club of Detroit, to protect pigeons while brooding;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 465. By Mr. Howard: Petition of P. M. Brown, S. L. Boies, Wm. T. Mitchell and 80 others, residents of St. Clair county, praying for the passage of an act authorizing the various county surveyors to obtain from the proper office full field notes of the surveys as made by the United States;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 466. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Joseph Effic, Thomas Bell, J. D. Duffie and 40 other residents of St. Clair county, praying for the repeal of an act to enable the Port Huron and Lapeer Plank Road Company to charge additional tolls;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 467. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Thomas B. Shaw, John Chambers, H. Traver, and 40 other residents of St. Clair county, praying that a bounty may be given to the soldiers of the re-organized 3d Michigan Infantry;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 468. By Mr. Kilbourne: Petition of R. W. Nelson, A. F. Weller and 18 others, relative to homœopathy;

On demand of Mr. Kilbourne,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

Petition of practitioners and patrons of the homœopathic school of medicine in this State, with reference to a bill appointing a board of censors, and regulating the practice of medicine.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned, homœopathic physicians and patrons of homœopathy. citizens of this State, believing that the passage of a bill now before the two houses of the legislature of the State of Michigan, would be an act of great injustice towards a large portion of the medical profession in this State, respectfully petition your honorable bodies to provide for and to cause the Governor of the State to appoint a separate and independent board of censors for the homœopathic school of medicine, to be composed of practitioners of said school, and to be governed by such by-laws and regulations as your honorable bodies may devise; and the undersigned, physicians and patrons of the homœopathic school of medicine, would further petition your honorable bodies that in any bill which is now, or may hereafter come before you, that care be taken that all physicians and surgeons, who are graduates of incorporated medical colleges, and all who have been for ten years in actual and reputable practice, shall be exempt from summons and examination by any board of censors.

The petition was referred to the committee on public health.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on private corporations :

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred two petitions in regard to the gravel road from Marshall to the Junction, respectfully report the same back to the House and report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report that, in their opinion, the Legislature have no jurisdiction in the case, for the reason that the action asked for is essentially of a judicial nature and should properly be sought through the courts, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAMUEL WALKER, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Walker,

The petitions were laid on the table.

By the committee on fisheries :

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing during the months of December, January, February, and March, in the inland lakes of the county of Oceana,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on University and Normal School :

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred the memorial of the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan asking for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of building a hospital in connection with the State University,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying:

House bill 245, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The memorial was laid upon the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Petition No. 108, of Mrs. Anna Dowling, for relief,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying:

House bill No. 246, entitled

A bill for the relief of Anna Dowling, widow of Dennis T. Dowling,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill for the more effectual protection of workmen, miners, and laborers, and other employes in the mines and quarries of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to exempt private burial grounds and places of interment of the dead from taxation, and levy on execution or attachment,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to authorize the judge of probate of Washtenaw county to appoint a probate register,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Your committee are of the opinion that it is very questionable whether the Legislature has any power under the constitution to authorize the appointment of a register by the judge of probate in the special case of Washtenaw county, which has a population of 38,723, according to the census of 1874, while the general law, section 5246 Compiled Laws of 1871, provides that only counties having 40,000 inhabitants may have a probate register; and even if no doubt existed as to the authority of the Legislature to pass such a law, your committee deem it inexpedient to establish such a precedent, for under it, any county having a less population than 40,000, might claim the privilege of having a probate register, which would be in contravention to the existing general law.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Petition No. 437, of C. I. Walker and 79 other members of the Detroit bar, asking a repeal of act No. 6, of the session laws of 1869, relative to the appointment of special commissioners,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the accompanying:

House bill No. 247, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act authorizing circuit courts in chancery, in the county of Wayne, to refer causes pending in chancery to special commissioners, being compiler's sections 5190 and 5191 of chapter 176 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill defining testimony in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road, in the county of Osceola, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 62, 83, 85, and 208 of an act to revise the charter of the city of Ypsilanti, approved March 17, 1865, and also to amend section 97 of said act as amended by act No. 272 of the laws of 1869, approved March 12, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that

the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method of giving notices of the fees of county and township officers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the same be referred to the committee on judiciary.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill in relation to the disbursement of moneys from the Wayne county treasury,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the same be referred to the committee on judiciary.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The recommendation was concurred in, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education having had under consideration the difference in the wants of graded and ungraded schools, relative to the time of electing officers, report the accompanying :

House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill to amend section 3593, of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws, relative to meetings of school districts,

And respectfully ask that it be printed and placed on the general order, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, The Grand Trunk Railroad Company has, since the 31st day of October, 1873, persistently violated the provisions of section 1 of Article IV. of the general railroad law, which requires air-brakes to be attached to all the regular passenger trains, and has also neglected to comply with other statutory requirements; therefore,

Resolved, That the commissioner of railroads be requested to commence legal proceedings against said company to enforce the collection of the penalties prescribed by law,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following substitute therefor:

WHEREAS, It having been charged that the Grand Trunk Railroad Company have, for two years past, neglected to comply with the law requiring air-brakes to be attached to all passenger trains, and have disregarded other statutory provisions; therefore,

Resolved, That the commissioner of railroads be requested to ascertain and report to this House whether those charges are true or false, and what action, if any, he has taken in the premises,

And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The same was adopted.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, in the county of Houghton, and incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for the incorporation of societies of Pocahontas tribes of Improved Order of Red Men ;

2. House bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county ;

3. House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of an act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons, approved April 5, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill authorizing and instructing the Governor of the State of Michigan to convey private land claims Nos. 68 and 76 to the United States to be appropriated for the improvement of the St. Mary's Falls canal,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill relative to notice of election to fill vacancy,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. HUBBARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to legalize the acts of the Riverside Cemetery Company of Hastings,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. M. GARFIELD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Corns, making certain charges of irregularity against the managers of the Detroit Savings Bank, and asking for an investigation of the affairs of said bank,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to request of the House authority for this committee to proceed to Detroit, inspect the books and papers of said bank, and examine under oath or otherwise, officers or other persons, and take such further action in the premises as they may deem necessary, in order to make a full investigation of the charges contained in the prayer of the petitioner.

G. E. KNIGHT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

The question being upon the adoption of the report,

Mr. Walker moved to lay the report upon the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Watkins moved that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Walker moved to lay that motion upon the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Watkins moved that he be excused from further service upon the special committee.

Mr. Walker moved to lay that motion upon the table.

Mr. Watkins demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay the motion to excuse upon the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Taylor,	
Bailey,	Harris,	Klein,	Van Aken,	
Billings,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Walker,	
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Robbins,	Wood,	
Curry,	Hubbard,	Sweetland,	Yeckley,	20

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Mr. Benedict,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Remer,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Rich,
Berk,	L. Green,	Metcalf,	Robinson,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Meyer,	Stephens,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Neff,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Norton,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Ocobeck,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Parker,	West,
Cole,	Knight,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Lay,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Lee,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Little,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Reed,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

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The motion to excuse Mr. Watkins from serving upon the special committee being withdrawn,

Mr. Wilson moved to take the report of the committee from the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question then being upon the adoption of the report of the committee, The same was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In reply to a resolution of the House adopted on the 17th inst., I have the honor to state:

That the amount drawn from the State treasury, on account of appropriations for the Agricultural College, up to the close of the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1874, is \$418,977 18. The act of Congress of July 2, 1862, granted an amount of land "equal to thirty thousand acres for each senator and representative in Congress, to which the State was entitled by the apportionment under the census of eighteen hundred and sixty." The number of acres of said land sold by the State, is not a matter of record in this office. The net amount received into the State treasury on account of sales of agricultural College land was at the close of the last fiscal year, \$107,879 14. The amount of land now unsold, standing to the credit of the Agricultural College, is not of record in this office. The approximate value of the same is not known at this office. The interest for the year ending September 30, 1874, on the amount of principal received from the sale of lands was \$7,407 65; the net amount of interest received during the same period on account of balances due from holders of part-paid certificates of said lands was \$6,654 33.

RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The communication was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF HEALTH, }
OFFICE OF SECRETARY, }
Lansing, Feb. 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

SIR—In compliance with a resolution of your honorable body, adopted on the 17th inst., I have the honor to submit "a detailed statement of the expenditures of this board for salaries and clerk hire, for traveling expenses, and for expenses for paper and printing of documents issued under its direction, specifying the number and expenses of issuing each document."

Since the organization of this board such expenditures have been as follows:

Salary	\$2,833 33
Clerk hire in office of the Secretary	214 23
Clerk hire in special investigation by a member of the Board	5 00
Expenses of members in attending meetings	\$202 40
Other official expenses of members	96 41
Total "traveling and other necessary expenses while employed on the business of the Board"	\$298 81
Paper, stationery, etc	\$260 43
Printing and binding	529 73
Total for paper, printing, and binding, and station- ery	\$790 16

The average proportion of above amount to each document published is two and four-tenths cents.

Number of documents published, 32,700.

Total expenditure since the organization of this

Board, from appropriation under its control..... \$5,384 08

The average proportion of total expenses of this Board to each document published is sixteen and four-tenths cents.

Number and kinds of documents published, 26.

Average proportion of expense for paper, printing,
binding, and stationery, to each kind of document

published..... \$30 39

Average proportion of total expenses of this Board to

each kind of document published..... \$207 08

Some part of this total expense, however, has been for books for the permanent library of the Board, for meteorological and other instruments, and for permanent articles in the office of the secretary. A portion of this expense was for special investigations upon which were based valuable papers by members of the Board, a few of which papers have already been published in the first annual report, while others are being printed for the second report of this board. Some material has been collected for future use. Without stating all the exceptions of this kind which should be made before the total expense is divided by the number of documents, it may be proper to add, that the amount of correspondence has been very great, especially in this, the central office of the board, where, although only those letters are copied which are considered of importance, the letter book now includes five hundred and eighty pages of official letters, in the hand-writing of the secretary.

By the foregoing, it will be seen that quite a large portion of the total expense should not be charged to the documents issued, as they do not include all the influence accomplished by the board, or all the material for which its funds are appropriately used. In the books of this office accounts are not kept with the different documents published, but with each of twelve different subjects, as follows: CHEMICAL ANALYSES; ENGRAVING, DRAWING, ETC.; EXPENSES OF MEMBERS ATTENDING MEETINGS; OTHER OFFICIAL EXPENSES OF MEMBERS; INSTRUMENTS AND BOOKS; PAPER, STATIONERY, ETC.; OFFICE POSTAGE; POSTAGE BY MEMBERS; PRINTING AND BINDING; SECRETARY; SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS; MISCELLANEOUS. Exactly how much should be charged to the documents altogether, is a matter of opinion that I have not yet decided for myself. To state accurately the amount of this expense, fairly attributable to each document, or to each of the several kinds of documents, would require a considerable exercise of memory, some judgment in the estimates, and an amount of clerical work which would postpone this reply for so long a time that it is presumed that this was not the intention of the resolution; especially as I am making every possible exertion to have placed before you the Second Annual Report of the Board, and as at present I have no clerk or assistance whatever, and have no authority to employ any, at the expense of the State.

Very respectfully,

HENRY B. BAKER, M. D.,

Secretary of the State Board of Health.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain societies,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following :

House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Detroit for 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows :

1. By inserting after the word "lot," in line 8 of recited section 4, the words "or piece of land ;"

2. By inserting after the word "lots," in line 9 of same section, the words "and lands ;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a

majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

The same were concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Lee,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Meyer,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Neff,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Norton,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Speaker, 80

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the amending words and sentences of all bills for amending existing laws be underscored before presentation, and the printer for the State be instructed to rule all such underscored words and sentences;

In the passage of which the Senate has non-concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections fifteen and seventeen of act No. 79 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out the words "one year" in line 11 of section 2, and inserting "sixty days," in lieu thereof;

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Watkins moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Robinson,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,

Mr. Cole,	Mr. Hulbert,	Mr. Preston,	Mr. A. R. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Hull,	Ranney,	L. P. Wheeler,	
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Whitney,	
Curry,	Klein,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,	
Dow,	Lee,	Rich,	Yeckley,	
Eggleston,	Little,	Robbins,	Speaker,	
Ferguson,				81

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill granting and defining the powers and duties of incorporated villages;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 35, entitled

A bill to prohibit foreign insurance companies from transacting business in this State in certain cases;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 144, relating to university and school lands, being section 3836 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on university and normal school, and public lands, jointly.

Mr. Ransom asked leave to withdraw

House bill No. 240 entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 4 of title one; sections 1, 3, 4 and 10 of title two, sections 2, 15, 14, and 21 of title three; sections 6, 13, 14, 28 and 34 of title four; sections 2, 4, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of title five; sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 15, 35 and 60 of title six; sections 4 and 6 of title seven, and sections 11, 13, 17, and 19 of title eleven; and to add to title three two new sections to be known as sections 26 and 27 of said title, respectively; and to add to title six six new sections to be known as sections 86, 87, 88, 89, 90 and 91 of said title, respectively, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

By unanimous consent leave was granted, and the bill was returned.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of business.

Mr. Neff asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on mines and minerals for the afternoon.

The Speaker announced as the special committee authorized by the House, relative to

Memorial No. 438, being a memorial of the Supervisors of Genesee county, Messrs. Benjamin, Billings, and Kilbourne.

NOTICES.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 2 and 4 of title one; sections 1, 3, 4, and 10 of title two; sections 2, 15, 14, and 21 of title three; sections 6, 13, 14, 28, and 34 of title four; sections 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of title five; sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 14, 15, 35, and 60 of title six; sections 4 and 6 of title seven; and sections 11, 13, 17, and 19 of title eleven; and to add to title three two new sections to be known as sections 26 and 27 of said title, respectively; and to add to title six six new

sections to be known as sections 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, and 91 of said title, respectively, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

Mr. Hollon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw.

Mr. Little gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Saginaw.

Mr. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal the act authorizing the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road Company to charge additional tolls.

Also,

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Port Huron.

Mr. Harris gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 49 of session laws of 1873, being an act to regulate fishing in the small streams of the State of Michigan;

Also,

A bill for the enlarging and consolidating of school districts.

Mr. Walker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the establishment and instruction of normal classes in union and high schools;

Also,

A bill supplemental to "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind, in this State," etc., being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 17, 1873.

Mr. I. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to lay out and establish a State ditch through Black River Swamp, in Sanilac county, and to appropriate certain swamp lands for the construction of the same.

Mr. Neff gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the extension of taxes in the township of Monguagon, Wayne county.

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal section 93, chapter 18, being section 920 Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the military tax.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Mackinaw, in the county of Mackinaw;

Also,

A bill to change the name of the township of La Croix, in Emmet county, to Cross Village;

Also,

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of "Echo."

Mr. Sutton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Ann Arbor, in Washtenaw county;

Also,

A bill in relation to a ditch in Washtenaw county called the Northfield ditch tax.

Mr. A. K. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to produce uniformity of practice in taxing costs in justice courts.

Also,

A bill to amend section 137 of chapter 136, compiler's section 3696 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, an act relative to primary schools.

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 249, being compiler's section 7711 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against chastity, morality, and decency.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of an act to provide for the better security of public records, being section 7751, chapter 251 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Adrian.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Casinovia.

Mr. Craig gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of boating clubs.

Mr. Meyer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 13, chapter 26, being compiler's section 1264, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways.

Mr. Klein gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the custody and safe keeping of persons who are tried for murder and other high crimes, and are acquitted by reason of insanity.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Howard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to increase the pay of the sheriff and his deputies, of St. Clair county, while in attendance upon the sessions of the circuit court for said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Howard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 250, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniform rate of fees to be paid to the clerks of the several circuit courts, and to the several registers in chancery in suits and proceedings pending in such courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 251, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 64, being section 2101 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to penalty for maiming pigeons near nestings.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Klein, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 252, entitled

A bill to amend section 86, chapter 10, of the Compiled Laws, being section 576 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to coroners.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 253, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Benton and any other townships in the county of Berrien, to make loans and levy taxes for the improvement of the harbor at St. Joseph, and the Benton Harbor Canal, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Hull, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 254, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways," chapter 26, page 438, Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. A. K. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to amend section 137, of chapter 136, compiler's section 3696, of Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act in relation to primary schools."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Sweetland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 256, entitled

A bill to amend section four of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855, being section 2139, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Republic, in Marquette county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 258, entitled

A bill for the enlarging and consolidating of school districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 259, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 49 of the session laws of 1873, being an act to regulate fishing in the small streams of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Metcalf, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 260, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 5 of an act entitled 'An act to protect fish and preserve the fisheries of this State, approved March 21, 1865, being section 2076 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,'" approved April 15, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 261, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Butler.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 262, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of any city, or the board of trustees or common council of any incorporated village, to pass ordinances or by-laws to forbid the sale of intoxicating liquors, and regulate public houses and other places of business.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Dow, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to amend sections one, eighteen, and twenty of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Farmington."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ludington, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 264, entitled

A bill to define and regulate the introduction of evidence in certain actions relating to real estate sold for non-payment of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 265, entitled

A bill for the incorporation of societies for the prevention of cruelty to children.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Preston, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill relating to children.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 516 of the session laws of 1867, being an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Middleville, in the county of Barry," approved March 27, 1867.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Wilson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 268, entitled

A bill to provide for the election of inspectors of elections in townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Wilson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 269, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 6, being section 49 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to elections.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on state affairs.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to amend section 41, chapter 216 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to collection of fines, forfeitures and recognizances.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 271, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, of an act entitled "An act to prohibit the maintaining of suits in equity by judgment creditors' bill, to provide a remedy at law in lieu, and to repeal sections 6513, 6514, 6515, 6517, 6518, 6520 and 6521 of the Compiled Laws of 1871."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 272, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Moltke.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Bismarck.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Presque Isle, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Posen.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science," being compiler's sections 2110, 2111, 2112, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 26, being section 1259 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Morse, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 277, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniformity of text books in the public schools of Gratiot county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 278, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to ascertain

the annual cereal products of the State of Michigan," approved February 14, 1859, being sections 804 and 805 of chapter 15 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add three new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Rich, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution relative to the salaries of judges of the circuit courts.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 279, entitled

A bill to amend section 34 of "An act relative to the organization and powers of fire and marine insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 2998 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the return and settlement of tax sales of county treasurers," being 1136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to require railroad companies to notify the commissioner of railroads and coroners of accidents occurring on their roads, and the investigation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 282, entitled,

A bill to repeal act number 401 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to enable the Lapeer & Port Huron Plank Road company to charge and receive additional tolls for travel over their road."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 283, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act to provide for the better security of public records, being section 7781 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheshire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Bartow,	Garfield,	Lee,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Walton,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howland,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker,
Dow,	Knight,	Rich,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Eggleston,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of gymnastic associations," being chapter 124 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Lee,	Robinson,
Bartow,	Garfield,	Little,	Struble,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Billings,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Harris,	Meyer,	Walker,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Watkins,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	West,

Mr. Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry,	Mr. Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Kilbourne, Klein,	Mr. Parker, Potter, Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich,	Mr. A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,	75
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Dow, Eggleston,	Mr. Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Kilbourne, Klein, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Norton, Ocobock, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Rich,	Mr. Robbins, Robinson, Stephens, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,	76
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex township forty-one (41) north, of range thirty-three (33) west, to the township of Menominee, and county of Menominee,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Benedict,	Mr. Garfield, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington,	Mr. Robinson, Stephens, Struble,
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Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Norton,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
Copley,	Hubbard	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Remer,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Robbins,	75
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Briggs offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule 45 of the House, so far as it relates to the giving of notice of the introduction of bills, be suspended for the remainder of the session ;

Which was not adopted, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Morse in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines.

2. House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the two bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By unanimous consent the following petitions were presented :

No. 469. By Mr. Towne: Petition of N. Coman, B. D. Wing, E. C. Phette-

place, and 180 others, asking an appropriation of certain swamp lands in the township of Martin, Allegan county, for the purpose of drainage and reclamation, and authority to change the direction of a certain water-course or lake outlet ;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

No. 470. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of L. L. Cavender, Hugh Rice, Geo. H. Force, and 30 others, of Croton, Newaygo county, asking the Legislature to pass resolutions requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to urge the passage of a law giving to Union soldiers \$200 instead of 160 acres of land ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

By unanimous consent the following reports of committees were made :

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was re-committed House bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to provide for the taxation of persons, corporations, and partnerships engaged in the business of selling spirituous or intoxicating liquors and malt, brewed and fermented liquors and beverages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended be re-printed and placed upon the desks of the members of this House in place of the present bill as printed and heretofore filed.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Hollon moved that the bill be referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Sweetland,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on mines and minerals:

The committee on mines and minerals, to whom was referred

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver, or other ores or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto, and amendatory thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EDWIN J. HULBERT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. VanAken, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled
"Primary Schools ;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. VanAken,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Hulbert, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill for the more effectual protection of working men, miners, and laborers, and other employés in the mines and quarries of this State ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Ferguson, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Springdale, in the county of Wexford.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, February 22, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Jennings.

Roll called : quorum present.

Absent without leave : Messrs. Benedict, Craig, Ferguson, Hale, Little, Livingstone, Mercer, Preston, Ransom, Sutton, Taylor, Walker, Walton, and I. P. Wheeler.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sutton for the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Walton for the day.

Mr. Harris asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. I. P. Wheeler for the forenoon.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Potter,

All the absentees were granted leave of absence for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 471. By Mr. E. H. Green : Petition of C. S. Farrar, Mrs. D. H. Olney, and 300 others, (155 women and 147 men), citizens of Armada and vicinity,

Macomb county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law, and against its repeal ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 472. By Mr. E. H. Green : Petition of E. C. Gaskell, Felix Oadieaux, C. B. Fenton, and 73 others, residents of Mackinaw, praying the Legislature to re-incorporate the village of Mackinaw ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 473. By Mr. E. H. Green : Petition of Richard Knight, F. J. Meech, O. D. Wood, and 70 others, praying the Legislature to legalize the work of turning, by a ditch, the waters of Evan's creek into Mill creek, on Sec. 14, T. 32 N., R. 9 W., in Antrim county ;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 474. By Mr. E. H. Green : Remonstrance of Jefferson Love, Theodore Giver, and Peter McPherson, against legalizing a certain ditch, by which the waters of Evan's creek are turned into Mill creek, in Town 32 N., R. 9 W., in Antrim county ;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 475. By Mr. Berk : Petition of A. E. Chadwick, Wm. T. Mitchell, and 13 other attorneys of St. Clair county, asking the passage of an act to increase the fees of county clerks ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 476. By Mr. Howland : Petition of Joseph Saunders and 120 others, citizens of the city of Saginaw, Saginaw county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law and against its repeal ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 477. By Mr. Hewitt : Petition of H. Kempton, G. M. Smith, and 47 others, citizens of Hillsdale county, asking that the prohibitory law be amended in four important particulars, so as to render it more readily enforced ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 478. By Mr. Yeckley : Petition of W. H. Wynn and 24 others, citizens of Van Buren county, requesting the Legislature to petition Congress to appropriate to each Union soldier the sum of \$200 in money instead of 160 acres of land ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 479. By Mr. Harden : Petition of John W. Van Deventer and 57 other citizens of Dundee, Monroe county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but to so amend it as to make it more effective ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 480. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of Frank S. Mullberry and 18 others, for a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad to the Menominee iron mines ;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 481. By Mr. Huggett : Petition of Henry Chamberlain and 35 others, citizens of Ionia county, asking for certain amendments to the prohibitory liquor law, that the same may be more effectually executed ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 482. By Mr. Churchill : Petition asking for the passage of a bill authorizing the county of Cheboygan to issue bonds for the improvement of Cheboygan river harbor ;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

No. 483. By Mr. Churchill : Petition asking the repeal of all laws grant-

ing the Alpena Harbor Improvement Co. the right to collect tolls, signed by 75 citizens of Alpena;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

No. 484. By Mr. West: Petition of Watson Snyder, mayor of the city of Ypsilanti, and 829 other citizens of that city, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law, and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 485. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of Joel Cowgill and 21 others, taxpayers of the county of Cass, asking for the passage of a bill, entitled

A bill to facilitate the organization of Mutual Benefit and Co-operative Associations within this State;

Referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

No. 486. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of David Brown and 85 others, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation, to aid in enforcing the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 487. By Mr. Curry: Memorial of the board of supervisors of Marquette county.

On demand of Mr. Curry,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

At a meeting of the board of supervisors of Marquette county, held at the court house in the city of Marquette, on Monday, the 19th day of January, A. D. 1875, on motion of Mr. Adams it was unanimously

Resolved, That the following address to the Legislature in reference to the troops sent by the Governor from Detroit to Ishpeming, in Marquette county, during the strike in July last, be sent to Hon. Peter White, Senator, and Hon. S. S. Curry, Representative of Marquette county, with the request to lay the same before the Legislature.

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The board of supervisors of the county of Marquette, respectfully show that they have audited and paid the expenses of the military company belonging to the city of Marquette during the strike at the city of Ishpeming in July last, and that they have not audited the expenses of the two military companies from the city of Detroit, believing the State of Michigan, and not the county of Marquette, to be liable therefor.

The Board of Supervisors aforesaid further show that they are willing, and that they believe the people of Marquette county are ready and willing to pay all their legal obligations, and to that end the Board respectfully represents that it has authorized its chairman to accept service of process immediately, and agree with the State authorities to submit the matter to the Supreme Court at its present term, and if the decision is adverse to Marquette county, the said expenses of sending troops from Detroit to Ishpeming will be audited and paid immediately thereafter, without waiting to have the same assessed and collected another year.

The Board of Supervisors further show that the State of Michigan derives specific taxes from the mines of Marquette county, largely in excess of the State taxes collected in other portions of the State, and that it will be a great hardship hereafter if the counties of the Upper Peninsula (especially when the iron trade is so depressed), are obliged to pay the expenses of troops sent from the Lower Peninsula to enforce the criminal laws of the State.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
 County of Marquette, } ss.

I, Francis M. Moore, Clerk of the county of Marquette, do hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a true extract from the record of the proceedings of the board of supervisors of said county, at a meeting held Monday, January 18th, A. D. 1875.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal
 [L. s.] of the circuit court of said county at the city of Marquette, this
 19th day of January, A. D. 1875.

FRANCIS M. MOORE, *Clerk.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 488. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of John R. Stewart, J. T. Baars, Henry Fralick, Julius Houseman and 318 others, citizens of Kent county, praying for certain amendments to the law for the protection of game;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 489. By Mr. Townsend: Petition of Edgar E. Chase and 24 other citizens of Leelanaw county, asking for certain amendments to the prohibitory liquor law, and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to republish those volumes of the Michigan Reports that are out of print, or to contract for a sufficient number of copies for the use of the State with any parties proposing to republish the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do not pass, for the reason that if there is a demand for these reports, private enterprise will supply the same, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on local taxation:

The committee on local taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the first ward of the city of Muskegon, in the county of Muskegon, for the year 1874,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. D. LAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public health :
The committee on public health, to whom was referred several petitions asking for the labeling of matches,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the following:
House bill No. 284, entitled
A bill to provide for the labeling of matches,
And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN B. SWEETLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
The petitions were laid on the table.
By the committee on fisheries :
The committee on fisheries, being one of the committees requested to ascertain the amount paid for insurance on State Institutions, etc., would respectfully report that they have had the same matter under consideration, and have requested me to make the following report:
Policies of insurance on the Fish Hatchery and dwelling house, etc., were issued by the Agricultural Insurance Company of Watertown, of the State of New York, for three years, dated Dec. 15, 1873, as follows:
On Hatchery and equipments..... \$1,000 00
On Overseer's house..... 400 00

Total \$1,400 00
Total amount of premiums paid, \$11 38.
Policies expire Dec. 15, 1876.
And your committee asks to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

NOTICES.

Mr. E. H. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce
A bill to establish a bureau of banking ;
Also,
A bill to legalize certain highways in the county of Charlevoix ;
Also,
A bill to define and establish the boundary line between counties of Mackinaw and Chippewa ;
Also,
A bill to legalize a certain ditch connecting Evan's creek with Mill creek, in town 32 north, of range 9 west, in Antrim county.
Mr. Morse gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce
A bill to amend section 5250, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to jurisdiction of justices' courts.
Mr. Whitney gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce
A bill to amend the charter of the city of Muskegon.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend "An act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette," approved April 10th, A. D. 1873.

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 3, 5, 14, and 19, chapter 21, of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 969, 971, 980, and 985, Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prevent the enforcement of mortgages or other indentures given to secure the payment of any note or bond, when by reason of lapse of time a suit could not be maintained on said note or bond.

Mr. Armstrong gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation.

Mr. Wood gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 127 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act relative to courts held by justices of the peace," approved April 15, 1873.

Mr. Wilson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 84 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors and improve the same, by adding two new sections thereto.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 202 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to garnishees.

Mr. Wiley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 43 of Compiled Laws of 1871, chapter 178, entitled "An act relative to courts held by justices of the peace."

Mr. Goodyear gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act of the session laws of 1873, approved April 18, 1873, of an act to amend sections 7, 8, 9, 10, 30, 31, 38, 39, 42, 64, 70, and 95, and to repeal section 50 of an act entitled "An act for the re-organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan, approved January 18, 1862, being sections 834, 835, 836, 837, 857, 858, 865, 866, 869, 877, 891, 897, 922, chapter 10, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add new sections thereto;"

Also,

A bill to amend section five of "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation."

Mr. Churchill gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors, and improve the same," approved March 13, 1861, by adding thereto a new section to stand as section twenty-four (24);

Also,

A bill to organize the township of Wilber, in the county of Iosco.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act 46 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to amend section 1 of an act entitled 'An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the preservation of game, and for the better preservation of elk, deer, birds, and wild fowl,'" approved April 3, 1869.

Mr. Van Aken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax roll of the first ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for the year 1874.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to promote industrial education, and to change the names of the Agricultural College and the State Board of Agriculture.

Mr. Rich gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Lapeer.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Paw Paw railroad company to increase its charge for passenger fare to ten cents per mile;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 3, 15, and 18, of an act entitled "An act to provide a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," being sections 969, 981, and 984, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Hull, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 285, entitled

A bill to amend section 107 of chapter 136, being section 3667 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the two-mill tax for school purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and constructing a ditch or drain through Black River Swamp, in Sanilac county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on drainage and public lands, jointly.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 287, entitled

A bill to appropriate lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of L'Anse, in the county of Baraga, to the village of Calumet, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Mackinaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 289, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of La Croix, in Emmet county, to Cross Village.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Echo.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Neff, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 291, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Monguagon, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on local taxation.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 292, entitled

A bill to provide for the apportionment of a proportionate share of the bonded indebtedness of the township of Burton, to the city of Flint.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Lay, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 293, entitled

A bill making an appropriation for the construction of an addition to the central building of the State Normal School.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

Mr. Metcalf, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 294, entitled

A bill to compel manufacturers and venders of patent medicines and medicinal compounds not patented, to print on all bottles and packages of such medicines and compounds, a full and complete recipe therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 295, entitled

A bill to authorize the county of Cheboygan to issue bonds for the improvement of Cheboygan River Harbor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 296, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of union school district No. 1, in the township of Wilson, in the county of Alpena.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 297, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of union school district No. 1, in the township of Long Rapids, in the county of Alpena.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Billings, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 298, entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 294, being compiler's section 7711 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against chastity, morality, and decency.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Rich, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 299, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of a superintendent of State property, and to define his power and duties, and to fix his compensation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Van Aken, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the first ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon the order of third reading.

Mr. Knight, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill in relation to the assets of the Detroit Savings Fund Institute.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the Detroit Savings Fund Institute.

Mr. Metcalf, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 20, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the printing and distribution of the laws relative to the support of poor persons by the public.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Little, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw, approved February 5, 1859," approved March 27, 1867, as amended by act No. 305 of the session laws of 1869, and by act No. 224 of the session laws of 1871, and by act No. 216 of the session laws of 1873, and to add six new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Billings,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Howland,	Parker,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Remer,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Rich,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lee,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Metcalf,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

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House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland;
Berk,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Howland,	Norton,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	West,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Whitney.
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Knight,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker, 68

NAYS.

Mr. Garfield,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 300, entitled,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the first ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for the year 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Stephens,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Struble,
Briggs,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Mercer,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robinson,	Speaker, 64

NAYS.

Mr. Benjamin,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Dow offered the following :

Resolved, That the daily sessions of this House hereafter shall convene at 9½ o'clock A. M.,

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Whitney moved to take from the table

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

Mr. West moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. West,

The bill was laid on the table.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Potter in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors ;

2. House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton.

3. House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

4. House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the board of fish commissioners for the year 1875 and the year 1876 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

CALVIN B. POTTER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three first-named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the fourth named bill,

Mr. Parker demanded a division of the question, so that the concurrence in the amendment, by which the committee of the whole struck out the words "seven thousand five hundred," in lines 1 and 2 of section 1, and inserted in lieu thereof the words "five thousand," should be determined separately.

Mr. Copley demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the House concurred in said amendment, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Lay,	Smith,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Billings,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harris,	Moshier,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Potter,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Cole,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wiley,
Curry,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood, 44

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hart,	Metcalf,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Morse,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker, 32

The question being on concurring in the other amendments made by the committee of the whole to the fourth named bill,

The same were concurred in, and the bill was then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Howland moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.,

Pending which,

Mr. Rich moved that the House adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being upon taking a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.,

Mr. Gerrish moved to amend, by making the time 2 o'clock P. M. ;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Briggs moved to amend, by making the time 7 o'clock P. M. ;
Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Briggs moved to adjourn.

Mr. Briggs demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to adjourn did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Potter,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Little,	Rich,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Berk,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Smith,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Wilson,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Wood,
Daly,	Kilbourne,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Sweetland,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Mercer,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Watkins,
Budlong,	Howard,	Ranney,	West,
Campbell,	Howland,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Churchill,	Hull,	Remer,	Whitney,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Curry,	Klein,	Stephens,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Lay,	Struble,	Speaker,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Kilbourne moved that Mr. Metcalf be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Metcalf then voted as recorded above.

The question being on taking a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.,

Mr. Taylor moved to amend by making the time 1½ o'clock P. M. ;
Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. F. O. Clark moved to amend by making the time 5 o'clock P. M. ;
Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Howard moved to adjourn.

Mr. Wood demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to adjourn prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Copley,	Mr. Hulbert,	Mr. Parker,
Bartow,	Daly,	Hull,	Potter,
Benjamin,	Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Rich,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Knight,	Robbins,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Smith,
Briggs,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,

Mr. A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole,	Mr. Howard, Hubbard, Huggett,	Mr. Neff, Ocobock,	Mr. Wilson, Wood,	42
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong. Benedict, Bradfield, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Curry, Dow, Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. Harden, Hewitt, Howland, Keyes, Klein, Lay, Lee, Mercer, Morse,	Mr. Moshier, Norton, Ranney, Reed, Remer, Robinson, Stephens, Struble, Sweetland,	Mr. Towne, Van Raalte, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Yeckley, Speaker,	37
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The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 23, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Potter asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 490. By Mr. Huggett: Petition of William Metcalf and 110 other citizens of Tuscola county, praying for certain amendments to the prohibitory law, and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 491. By Mr. Towne: Petition of the Hon. George Thomas, Hon. Adam Elliot, Cortez P. Pendill, and 63 others, asking the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendents of common schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 492. By Mr. Hale: Petition of L. A. Giddings, James Galley, P. Leonard, D. B. Hosler and 145 others, electors of Eaton county, for the repeal of the act providing for the office of county superintendent of schools;

Also: to amend section 91, and to repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90 of chapter 78, of Compiled Laws of 1871, and all of the acts amendatory thereto;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 493. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of Jasper Cook, Alonzo Chubb, and 37 others, citizens of the township of Cleon, in favor of said town remaining in Wexford county.

On demand of Mr. Ferguson,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan in Session Assembled :

We, the undersigned, citizens of the township of Cleon, Wexford county, being informed that a certain bill has been introduced before your honorable body, the object of which is to detach us from our present county relations with Wexford county, and attach us to Manistee county,

We, as citizens of the township of Cleon, and most directly interested, wish to enter our solemn protest against its passage, for the following reasons :

1st. Two years ago your honorable body detached us from Manistee county and attached us to Wexford county, on the strength of a petition asking for such a transfer, signed by every voter but one in the township, that one, for private reasons, refused to sign, but used his best endeavors to forward the object and wishes of the whole people of the township.

2d. Our reasons for wishing to continue our present county relations are these : Our present county seat at Sherman, is our natural trading place. We go there to buy our goods and sell our produce. We go there to mill and church. We go there for everything we want ; and it is evidently more convenient for us to do our county business there. On the other hand, our old relations with Manistee county necessitated us, if we wished to look at the records, or do any county business, to a journey of over forty miles, and in doing so, we had of necessity to go within seven miles of Sherman, our present county seat, making a long tedious journey of two or three days, involving large expenses, as well as time, while our present relations are such that we can leave home in the morning, transact our business at the county seat, and return home the same day.

3d. The appearance of our township on the map does not indicate that we are so far from Manistee city, but the peculiar formation of the country between us and that city is the cause ; on the west border of our township, and extending south nearly through the township south, is an impassable river and swamp, known as the Bear Creek country, of many miles in width, and probably never will be made passable. The only passable road, as above stated, goes within seven miles of Sherman, and at that point we are over forty miles from Manistee City.

For these reasons, and knowing it to be the ardent wish of every citizen of the township, to remain in our present relation with Wexford county, we protest against the passage of said bill, and humbly ask the members of your honorable body to protect us against this (to us considered) outrage, by voting against its passage, and in favor of legalizing the act of 1873.

This action we most respectfully ask.

The memorial was referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 494. By Mr. Ferguson : Petition of C. L. Northrop, and 32 others of Wexford county, asking for amendments to the law relative to changing places of holding elections ;

Referred to the committee on elections.

No. 495. By Mr. E. H. Green : Petition of C. J. Knowlton and 22 other citizens of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law, and against its repeal ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 496. By Mr. Churchill : Memorial of Albert Pack, A. W. Comstock and 48 others, praying that the harbor at Alpena, Mich., may be made free.

On demand of Mr. Churchill,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

ALPENA, MICH., 13th January, 1875.

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

GENTLEMEN:—Your memorialists, residents of the city of Alpena, Mich., respectfully ask your Honorable bodies to pass such enactments as are necessary to make the harbor of this place free, and call your attention to the following statement of facts; The harbor of Alpena is the lower part of the Thunder Bay River, which is navigable for vessels for about a mile from its mouth, both sides of the river being fully occupied with mills and docks. The population of the city is now about 4,500, and the business of the place almost entirely the manufacture and shipping of lumber, some seventy-five millions of which is annually exported.

In the early days of the town, about the year 1856, the depth of water on the bar at the mouth of the river was about ten feet, but this gradually shoaled until, in the year 1858, there was only seven feet, as reported by the U. S. Coast Survey, and in 1864, the bar had formed at the mouth of the river so that there was only about six feet of water.

In the month of September, 1864, the Alpena Harbor Improvement Company was organized under the laws of this State, with a capital stock of twenty thousand dollars, and proceeded to improve the river. The capital stock of this company was mostly taken by the mill men and merchants of the place, and was not intended for making money for the stockholders, but simply to get off our products.

The rates of toll as fixed by the three commissioners appointed by the board of supervisors, were ten cents per M on lumber, two cents per M on shingles, twenty-five cents per ton on merchandise, and other things in proportion; including a tonnage tax of one cent per ton on vessels and steamers.

In the years 1867 and 1868, Mr. George N. Fletcher, who had from the start a portion of the stock, quietly bought in nearly all of the stock of the Company, generally paying about fifty cents on the dollar for it, telling the parties of whom he purchased, that he would not attempt to raise the rates of toll. In the year 1868, after securing nearly all of the stock, he procured the appointment of a new board of three commissioners, contrary to law, as your memorialists firmly believe, one of said board being a young man in the employ of said Fletcher.

The second Board of Commissioners raised the rates of tolls on lumber from ten cents per thousand to twenty cents per thousand, and doubled the tolls on nearly all articles, both exported and imported. Your memorialists, in treating Mr. Fletcher as the Alpena Harbor Improvement Company, do so from the fact that he owns nearly all of the stock, and that the officers and directors of the corporation are nearly all in his direct employ in other matters, and only own enough of the stock to help him run the concern. Mr. Fletcher, by the year 1869, got the harbor so that there was ten or eleven feet of water on the bar, and commenced collecting tolls.

Your memorialists believe that the capital stock cost Mr. Fletcher less than ten thousand dollars, and that he has not expended over twenty thousand dollars in improvements, besides the capital stock. Your memorialists are aware that Mr. Fletcher claims to have expended more than this amount of money, but we do not believe that he has done so. The following amounts are reported

as collected in dues by the Alpena Harbor Improvement Company, which your memorialists believe to be far below the real amounts collected :

Collected in 1869.....	\$3,182 64
“ “ 1870.....	3,578 20
“ “ 1871.....	11,894 59
“ “ 1872.....	10,694 71
“ “ 1873.....	12,048 73
“ “ 1874.....	3,127 57
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	\$44,526 44
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Mr. Fletcher received other benefits from the creation of the harbor company, among which are the following :

He was at the time of the organization of the company, and still is, an extensive owner of pine lands upon the rivers tributary to this place, and has been largely benefited by the enhancement of the value thereof.

During 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, and years since, he has been a large seller of pine timber by stumpage.

He had at that time, and has still, a controlling interest in a large steam saw and shingle mill, which has had the benefit of the improvement of the harbor.

He was also a large owner in real estate in this city, being one of the original platters thereof, and in the growth of the place has grown rich.

By the extension of the pier on the south side of the river a large amount of land was made, from which he has sold two mill sites for about \$10,000, which your memorialists are informed and believe, besides having a large amount as the made land left which is now valuable.

Your memorialists have thus fully stated the benefits accruing to Mr. Fletcher, to show that there can be no injustice done him by making the harbor of Alpena free. During the month of October last a portion of the piers was carried away, and the water on the bar has shoaled again to the depth of about eight feet. Your memorialists have petitioned Congress to appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars, for the improvement of this harbor, which they will likely do if the harbor is made free by the State Legislature. We are surely entitled to this, never having received any aid from the General Government during all these years of extensive harbor improvements all over the lakes by the General Government.

Mr. Fletcher has expended very little money for the past three years on the improvement, and has repeatedly averred since the bar has formed again, that he does not intend to spend another dollar on the harbor; nevertheless he wants the State and the United States governments to keep their hands off, and allow him to collect the tolls and continue this monopoly.

The lumber from this place for the past year, and likely for 1875, nearly all finds a market in Chicago. The vessels that carry it are grain vessels bound up, and are of large size, and unless something is done early in the season, a large amount of lumber and other commodities will have to be lightered out at a heavy expense; therefore we hope that the Legislature will take early action in the matter, and give us the relief asked for, making Alpena Harbor free, so that we can get from the present session of Congress an appropriation for the improvement of the same.

We know of no other place in the United States where a corporation exists that can levy an export and import duty on all merchandise exported and im-

oprted, and a tonnage tax on vessels, and we believe the collecting of them here to be clearly illegal, and if not illegal, unjust.

We think and believe that George N. Fletcher has been fully repaid for all the money and interest on same that he has ever expended for this harbor ; and now that the harbor has filled up again, and he says that he does not intend to improve it again, that he should be debarred from collecting any further tolls. We believe that if the harbor is made free that we can get an appropriation the present winter from Congress, to improve the same.

We confidently believe that the relief prayed for will be granted at an early day by the Legislature.

Attached we submit some affidavits on the question, and a report from the Custom House, showing the number of steamers and vessels clearing from the place the past season, with the amount of exports and imports.

EXPORTS.—Statement of Exports by Vessels and Steamers clearing from Alpena, Michigan, during the Summer of 1874.

MONTH.	No. of Vessels.	No. of men employed.	Tonnage.	Cedar Posts.	House blocks	Pump logs.	Lath.	Shingles.	Lumber.	Miscellaneous cargo.
April.....	38	768	15,555.81	49,100	9,008	1,858	1,768,000	879,000	2,194,790	{ 28 pkgs. mds. 88 pkgs fish. 350 tons ice. 175 pkgs. fish. 22,500 pickets. 96 pkgs mds. 170 cords bark. 458 tons fish. 47,898 pickets. 12 boxes mds. 87,800 pickets. 882 tons fish. 98 pkgs. mds. 98,450 pickets.
May	79	711	22,834.58	18,917	.....	.....	4,889,000	.....	11,648,786	{ 100 tons fish. 78 pkgs. mds. 100 tons ice. 100 cords posts. 12 pkgs. mds. 82 tons fish. 78 tons fish. 845 tons fish. 3,486pkgs fish. 20 pkgs. mds.
June.....	68	842	18,112	1,000	897	897	4,519,000	8,756,000	8,498,897	
July	60	782	18,742	000	.....	427	7,897,000	9,874,750	9,083,866	
August	59	796	20,298	752	.....	.....	1,796,000	12,782,250	7,500,735	
September..	70	921	28,495	.....	.....	.....	3,586,000	6,878,000	10,748,068	
October.....	72	964	20,728	.....	.....	.....	2,250,000	5,297,000	11,078,842	
November ..	50	680	18,978	.....	.....	.....	6,434,000	18,487,000	8,821,897	
December....	2	28	784	.....	.....	.....	25,000	582,000	656,828	
Totals	492	6,492	159,072.84	70,869	9,905	2,677	88,116,000	58,471,000	69,736,689	

In addition to the above, at least 10,000,000 feet of lumber was shipped from Alpena, by vessels that did not report at the Custom House, vessels mostly clearing from Buffalo to Chicago.

JAMES J. POTTER,
Deputy Collector of Customs, Port of Alpena.

There were also further shipments of lumber, shingles and cedar posts made upon steamers Wenona, St. Joseph and Marine City, said steamers having cleared from Cleveland for Mackinaw, and vice versa, not reporting at this custom house. These would probably swell the total shipments to 85,000,000 feet of lumber, 65,000,000 shingles, and 100,000 cedar posts. Alpena being a new and partially undeveloped county, the farmers only raising about enough for their own support, we have an amount of imports which would probably exceed those of any port of the size in the State of Michigan.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
COUNTY OF ALPENA. } ss.

Albert Pack, being duly sworn, says that to his certain knowledge there was only about eight feet of water on the bar at the mouth of the Thunder Bay River in the months of November and December last. That vessels were badly detained on account of the bar being allowed to form. That he has heard George N. Fletcher, the principal man in the Alpena Harbor Improvement Company, say on more than one occasion that he did not intend to expend any more money on the harbor, and hoped that it would fill up so that most of the vessels would have to load outside in the bay.

ALBERT PACK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of January, 1875.

THOS. WHITE,
Notary Public, Alpena Co., Mich.

ALPENA, ALPENA COUNTY, }
State of Michigan. }

Personally before me, a Notary Public, in and for Alpena county, came Andrew W. Comstock, who subscribes and makes oath to the following facts, viz.: That there is now, and has been during the months of November and December, not over eight feet of water on the bar at the mouth of the Thunder Bay River.

That that is not sufficient water to meet the wants of the business of the place, and that there has been, at different times during the past season, vessels delayed from twelve to thirty-six hours, on account of the shoalness of water on the bar, where the improvements of the Alpena Harbor Improvement Company are supposed to be, and that he has heard G. N. Fletcher, who is the principal stockholder and owner, and in fact controls said Harbor Co., state at divers times, and in sundry places, that he hoped the harbor would fill up to six feet of water, and that he should expend no more money for the purpose of removing obstructions.

A. W. COMSTOCK.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 18th day of January, A. D. 1875.

SETH A. L. WARNER,
Notary Public, Alpena Co., Mich.

The memorial and affidavits were referred to the committee on harbors.

No. 497. By Mr. Potter: Petition of L. T. McLin, I. H. Ludwig, B. M. Petit, and 112 others, asking for the appointment of a separate and independent board of censors for the homœopathic school of medicine.

On demand of Mr. Potter,

The petition was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

Petition of the practitioners and patrons of the homœopathic school of medicine in this State, with reference to a bill appointing a board of censors, and regulating the practice of medicine.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, homœopathic physicians and patrons of homœopathy, citizens of this State, believing that the passage of a bill now before the two Houses of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, would be an act of great injustice toward a large portion of the medical profession in this State, respectfully petition your honorable bodies to provide for and to cause the Governor of the State to appoint a separate and independent board of censors for the homœopathic school

of medicine, to be composed of practitioners of said school, and to be governed by such by-laws and regulations as your honorable bodies may devise; and the undersigned physicians and patrons of the homœopathic school of medicine would further petition your honorable bodies that in any bill which is now or may hereafter come before you, that care be taken that all physicians and surgeons, who are graduates of incorporated medical colleges, and all who have been for ten years in actual and reputable practice, shall be exempt from summons and examination by any board of censors;

The petition was referred to the committee on public health.

No. 498. By Mr. Backus: Petition of John Lewis, Dexter S. Sapp, Joseph Shearer, Morton Shearer, Seth M. Moon, and 125 others, of the city of Greenville, asking to have the E. $\frac{1}{2}$ of sec. 4, and the W. $\frac{1}{2}$ of sec. 3, town 9 N., R. 8 W., attached to the city of Greenville;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 499. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of D. L. Campbell and 31 other citizens of the township of Royal Oak, Oakland county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 500. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of N. O. Pettibone, Nelson Ferguson, and 121 others, for a State road in Mecosta and Osceola counties;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 501. By Mr. McLachlin: Petition of Dr. N. Pyutt, Henry M. Deland, James Cummins and 66 others, asking an amendment to Senate bill No. 6, so as to establish one uniform price for services rendered;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 502. By Mr. Curry: Petition of Powell Starkhouse, agent Republic Iron Co., J. A. Owens, agent Metropolis Iron Co., Jas. Pierpont, agent Klotman Iron Co., Sam. Peck, agent Magnetic Iron Co., Jas. F. Trowell, agent Erie and Windsor Iron Co., and 22 other citizens, praying for the organization of the township of Republic in Marquette county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 503. By Mr. Taylor: Remonstrance of Emory L. Brewer, H. Blanchard, and 105 others, citizens of Shiawassee county, against the resolution of the Legislature of Jan. 21, and in favor of the equalization of bounties to soldiers of the late war;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 504. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of M. A. Morrison and 23 others, residents of Ionia county, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in enforcing the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 505. By Mr. Rich: Petition of David Pierce and 68 others, citizens of Tuscola county, praying for amendments to the prohibitory liquor law, and that the same be not repealed;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 506. By Mr. Harden: Petition of Abigail Macomber and 45 others, citizens of Fairplains, Montcalm county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but so amend it as to make it more effective;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 507. By Mr. West: Petition of Rev. E. Caster, and 72 other citizens of Romeo, Macomb county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law, and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No 508. By Mr. Van Aken: Petition of D. C. Powers and 17 other citizens of Branch county, with reference to a bill appointing a board of censors and regulating the practice of medicine ;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 509. By Mr. Churchill: Memorial from the Common Council of Alpena, asking that section 44 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena, be amended ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 510. By Mr. Hart: Petition of Geo. F. Hemingway and 48 citizens of Midland county, asking that the counties of Gratiot, Isabella, Clare, Gladwin, Roscommon, and Midland be organized into a new judicial circuit ;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 511. By Mr. Hart: Petition of P. R. Lader and 37 others, asking that the south tier of townships of Crawford county be detached therefrom and attached to the county of Roscommon ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 512. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of J. H. Withey, Amos G. Chase, W. P. Carle, C. D. Washburn, and 23 others, citizens of Kent county, praying the Legislature to provide for, and cause the Governor to appoint, a separate and independent board of censors for the homœopathic school of medicine ;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 513. By Mr. Briggs: Petition of E. S. Holmes, E. A. Strong, N. L. Avery, P. R. L. Pierce, S. R. Wooster, and 80 others, citizens of Grand Rapids, for a dental school in connection with the University.

On demand of Mr. Briggs,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

Governor Bagley, in his last message, says: "There is no real reason why the State should furnish education in any one specialty and not another." The truth of this statement is self-evident, yet there are no means provided in this State for the thorough education of the Dental Physician and Surgeon. When we consider that the organs of mastication are a most important part of the nutritive system, we can but realize that the abnormal condition of those organs must impair the general health. It is just as important then, that the Dentist should be thoroughly and scientifically educated in his profession as that the general Physician and Surgeon should. This much needed education to the coming Dentist can be furnished in connection with the Medical department of the State University much more completely and economically than in any other way. We, the citizens of Grand Rapids, therefore ask your Honorable Body to provide the necessary means for the establishment and maintenance of a Dental school in connection with the Medical Department of the University at Ann Arbor.

The petition was referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

No. 514. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of Jas. A. Jackson and 32 other citizens of Detroit, for the passage of a bill for the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative societies.

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, citizens and taxpayers of the city of Detroit, in the county of Wayne, do respectfully petition your honorable body to pass the bill entitled "A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State."

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

February 8th, 1875.

The petition was referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 515. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of Geo. W. Bissell, W. H. Craig, and others on the subject of insurance.

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned parties, having a vital interest in the question of fire and marine insurance, would most respectfully petition your honorable body to pass such laws, or to take such other action, as to you may appear proper, in order to prevent the injurious combination of certain insurance companies doing business in the State.

Those companies receive valuable immunities, and are fostered and protected by the laws of the State.

To make them safe this protection becomes proper. But we think we may not unreasonably ask that they be forbidden from combining, as they do now, for purposes of injurious monopoly.

We claim that their combination has resulted in charges and profits that are exorbitant.

The published statement of one of the companies shows for the past year twenty-five per cent profit on their capital.

Respectfully yours,

W. H. CRAIG,
BRADY & Co.,
D. CARTER,
DETROIT & CLEVELAND STEAM NAV. Co.,
G. W. BISSELL,
F. LAMBIE,
NORTHWESTERN TRANS. Co.,
WESTERN TRANS. & COAL Co.,
MERICK, FOWLER & ESSELSTYN.

The petition was referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 516. By Mr. Hubbard: Petition of Wm. Goodsell, Edwin T. Hazen, G. B. Ucter, and others praying for an amendment to the present prohibitory law which will give it greater force;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of public works of the city of Grand Rapids and the commissioners of highways of the townships adjacent to said city to

unite in the improvement of highways lying between said city and such townships,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the return and settlement of tax sales of county treasurers," being section 1136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred
House bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to convey the title of the State of Michigan to certain real estate to Mary Jane McDermott,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be referred to the committee on judiciary.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred
House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to require railroad companies to notify the commissioner of railroads and coroners of accidents occurring on their roads, and the investigation of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to regulate the enforcement of liens for freight by railroad companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on railroads :

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads :

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 205, entitled

A bill to amend section 15, of Article IV. of act No. 195, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred that portion of the Governor's message relating to the insurance of State property, have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying :

House bill No. 203, entitled

A bill to prohibit the insuring of any building or personal property belonging to the State, or to any State institution supported wholly or in part by appropriations made by the State,

unite in the improvement of highways lying between said city and such townships,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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F. G. BAILEY, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Article III., of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Clio," approved April 18, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 18, and 20, of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Farmington,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield, in the township of Blissfield, Lenawee county, Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred that portion of the Governor's Message relative to the centennial,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying :
House joint resolution No. 21, entitled

Joint resolution providing for an agent for the State at the centennial exposition to be held in Philadelphia during the year 1876,

And recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on State affairs.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain societies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. M. GARFIELD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill for the protection of inn and hotel keepers.

2. House bill No. 243, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Detroit for 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein.

3. House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 47 of Article IV. of the Constitution, relative to license,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution be printed and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred
House bill No. 256, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855, being section 2139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred
House bill No. 262, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of any city or the board of trustees, or common council of any incorporated village, to pass ordinances or by-laws to forbid the sale of intoxicating liquors, and regulate public houses and other places of business,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in and the bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following concurrent resolution :

WHEREAS, By act of Congress, approved February 14, 1871, the surviving soldiers of the war of 1812, who had served 60 days, and had been honorably discharged, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, were granted pensions ;

AND WHEREAS, There is a class of soldiers of said war of 1812 who do not come under the provisions of said act ;

AND WHEREAS, Most of such soldiers, and the widows of such as are deceased, are in indigent circumstances ; therefore

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That in our opinion the provisions of said act should be so extended as to include all soldiers of the war of 1812 who

have been honorably discharged after five days' service, and the widows of deceased soldiers who had rendered such service, and that the rules in relation to the proof of marriages of such soldiers be modified ;

Resolved, That the Governor be and he hereby is requested to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to be forwarded to each of our Senators and Representatives now in Congress at Washington ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum or coal oils,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution :

Resolved (the House of Representatives concurring), That the State Land Board be and is hereby instructed to withdraw from sale all lands granted to the State for the support of the Agricultural College not yet disposed of, until said lands have been examined, and prices established according to an appraised valuation ;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committees on Agricultural College and public lands jointly.

NOTICES.

Mr. Parker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 12 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to township officers.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit any person, partnership, association, or corporation, from collecting tolls or charges, or exercising any control over the harbor at the mouth of Thunder Bay River, in Alpena county ;

Also,

A bill to provide for the payment of certain work and labor done, materials furnished, and money paid, laid out and expended by Michael Henderson, for improving the highway on Fort street between the westerly line of the city of Detroit, county of Wayne, to the Dearborn road in the township of Springwells in said county, and for other purposes.

Mr. Keyes gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State.

Mr. Robbins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to provide for the custody and safe keeping of persons who are tried for murder and other high crimes and are acquitted by reason of insanity," approved April 25, 1873 ;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to confirm deeds and instruments intended for the conveyance of real estate in certain cases," approved February 2, 1861 ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 98 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian," approved March 20, 1865 ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 44 of chapter 202 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to garnishees ;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 4 and 10 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 4, 6, and 10, 99, 110, 111, 112, 113, and 114 of an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian,' approved March 20, 1865, approved March 20, 1869," approved March 18, 1861, and also to amend sections 55, 56, 61, 64, 65, 87, 106, 120 of "An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian," approved March 20, 1865 ;

Also,

A bill to incorporate the village of Trenton, in the county of Wayne.

Mr. Parker gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Flint to levy and assess taxes for the purpose of paying its bonded indebtedness ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 6925 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement,

Also,

A bill to repeal chapter 241 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the protection of the rights and liberties of persons claimed as fugitive slaves.

Mr. Harden gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 32 and 68 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of county clerks and the Auditor General.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking State land scrip for the Newaygo and Pentwater State road.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section (5399) five thousand three hundred and ninety-nine of chapter (178) one hundred and seventy-eight of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to justice courts.

Mr. Bradfield gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to vacate the township of Algonquin, and attach the same to the township of Greenland, Ontonagon county.

Mr. Harris gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads, and to define his powers and duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress to grant relief to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, and to the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late war, suppressing the rebellion.

Also,

A bill to amend sections 48 and 49 of chapter 18, being sections 875 and 876 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, of an act entitled "An act for the organization of the military forces of Michigan," approved January 18, 1862;

Also,

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 12, being section 651 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 relative to "Township meetings;"

Also,

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 6, and 9, of an act entitled "An act establishing a lien for labor and services upon logs and timber," approved April 29, 1873;

Also,

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee, and attach the same to the county of Wexford, and to legalize the official returns and tax rolls of said township for the years 1873 and 1874;

Also,

A bill to detach section 36 from the township of Wexford in the county of Wexford, and section 31 and all of the territory south of the Manistee River in the township of Hanover in said county of Wexford, from said township of Hanover, and to organize all the aforesaid territory into a township to be called the township of Sherman;

Also,

A bill to organize the township of Ogden, in the county of Wexford.

Mr. Ransom gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, 33, and 36 of title 6, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 14, of title 4, of said act, title 9 of said act, and section 28, of title 11, of said act.

Mr. Walton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road commencing on the county line between the counties of Midland and Bay, and running into the unorganized county of Gladwin, and making an appropriation of non-resident highway taxes for the purpose of constructing the same;

Also,

A bill to authorize and require the corporation of Bay City to assume and pay the indebtedness incurred in the construction of the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to provide for the payment thereof.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to further amend section 12 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," approved February 24, 1869, as amended by "An act relative to schools," approved March 27, 1873, the same being act No. 331, of the session laws of 1873;

Also,

A bill to amend section 5473 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An act relative to courts held by justices of the peace;"

Also,

A bill to amend section 3038 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of charitable societies," approved February 6, 1855;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 11 of chapter 150 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, as amended by act 134, of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act to amend section 11 and 13 of chapter 150 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, the same being sections 5647 and 5649 of the Compiled Laws, approved March 27, 1867, said section being section 7443 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the fees of sheriff, approved April 27, 1873;'"

Also,

A bill relative to justices of the peace in and for the city of Detroit.

Mr. Bailey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 4407 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the inventory and the collection of the effects of deceased persons, as amended by act 147 of the session laws of 1873.

Mr. Sweetland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855.

Mr. Curry gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Michigamme.

Mr. Northrop gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide a salary for county officers.

Mr. Sutton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to regulate the time for the presentation of accounts to boards of supervisors of the different counties of this State excepting the county of Wayne.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Owosso," approved Feb. 15, 1859, and the act amendatory thereto, approved April 2, 1869;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 1, of chapter 26, of Compiled Laws, being compiler's section 1252, relative to the laying out of highways through orchards," approved April 23, 1873.

Mr. Whitney gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Whitehall.

Mr. Knight gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill revise an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Schoolcraft," approved March 12, 1869.

Mr. Hart gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for a board of revision, to examine tax rolls, and define their powers and duties;

Also,

A bill to prevent the cutting and destruction of timber on lands the title of which is in the State, by reason of sale for delinquent taxes.

Mr. Backus gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to aid in the construction of the Alpena and Michigan Southern Railroad;

Also,

A bill to amend section eight of chapter twenty-one, being section nine hundred and seventy-four of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation of shares in National or State banks.

Mr. Churchill gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 44 of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29th, 1871, being act No. 249 of session laws of 1871;

Also,

A bill to aid in the construction of a railroad from Alpena to Bay City.

Mr. Norton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 93 of chapter 18, being section 920 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in regard to the revenue of the militia.

Mr. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the better perpetuation of the original survey ;

Also,

A bill to amend an act relative to plank road companies, approved February 12, 1855 ;

Also,

A bill to ratify and accept an agreement made by the owners of the Jackson and Michigan plank road to surrender the same and relinquish the right to receive toll thereon.

Mr. Kilbourne gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district court of the Upper Peninsula," being sections 6465, 6466, 6467, and 6468 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Mr. F. O. Clark gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 7435 of chapter 239 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and to repeal act No. 107 of session laws of 1873.

Mr. Huggett gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 12, of chapter 211, being section 6706 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to summary proceedings to recover the possession of lands ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 223, being section 6995, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to habeas corpus and certiorari, to inquire into causes of detention ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 260, being section 7930, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to indictments ;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 9 and 10, of chapter 247, being sections 7661 and 7662, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against public justice.

Mr. Daly gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 35, of chapter 7, of the charter of the city of Detroit, approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the acts amendatory thereof, approved April 30, 1873.

Mr. Watkins gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations to provide the members thereof with homesteads, or lots of land suitable for homesteads ;

Also,

A bill to compel insurance companies to make survey and appraisal of property before insuring.

Mr. Ocobock gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the extension of taxes in the city of Wyandotte, Wayne county.

Mr. West gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to prohibit the State Treasurer from paying over to the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan any moneys appropriated by any law of this State until the said Board of Regents shall have complied with the provision of act number 63 of the Session Laws of 1873, being an act to provide for the appointment of two professors of homœopathy in the department of medicine of the University of Michigan ;

Also,

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan," and to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," the same being act number 32 of the Session Laws of 1873.

Mr. Billings gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the late rebellion in certain cases.

Mr. Hulbert gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a State Public School in the Upper Peninsula for dependent and neglected children ;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of L'Anse" approved April 18, 1873.

Mr. Hale gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, approved Feb. 3, 1855, by adding one new section thereto, to stand as section 22.

Mr. Briggs gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 9 and 11, of act 124 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the protection of game, and for the better preservation of elk, deer, birds, and wild fowl," being sections 2093, 2094, 2095, 2097, 2101, and 2103, of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Also,

A bill to make an appropriation to enable the board of regents to establish and maintain a dental school in connection with the medical department of the State University.

Mr. Gerrish gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Reed City, in the county of Osceola ;

Also,

A bill to incorporate the village of Hersey, in Osceola county ;

Also,

A bill to lay out and improve a State road in Mecosta and Osceola counties.

Mr. Townsend gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

secure the payment of any note or bond when by reason of lapse of time a suit could not be maintained on said note or bond.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. A. K. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 312, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 96 of the session laws of 1873, being an act to amend section 127 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act relative to courts held by justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Mercer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 313, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 26 of Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 1292 as amended by act No. 130, Session Laws of 1873, relative to the laying out of highways through orchards.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 314, entitled

A bill to vacate the gravel road extending from the city of Marshall to the Junction, eight or ten miles north of Marshall, in Calhoun county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to define the rights of non-resident tax-payers in school districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 316, entitled

A bill to provide for the protection and propagation of fish, in Brace Lake, Calhoun county, Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 317, entitled

A bill relating to the interest of money.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 318, entitled

A bill to encourage the development and production of petroleum.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to authorize townships, cities, and villages to raise money by taxation for the payment of their bonds issued to aid in the construction of railroads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on ways and means and judiciary, jointly.

Mr. Sutton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 320, entitled

A bill to regulate the time for the presentation of accounts to boards of supervisors of the different counties of this State, excepting the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Sutton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the county drain commissioner of the county of Washtenaw in the laying out and construction of the drain known as the Ludwick or Northfield Drain, in the township of Northfield, Washtenaw county, Michigan, and to provide for the levy and collection of a tax to pay for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 322, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of act No. 116 of the session laws of 1873, relating to the re-organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 323, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to Lower Thornapple Lake in Barry county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Goodyear, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced •

House bill No. 324, entitled

A bill making an appropriation of swamp lands to improve the State road from Hastings, in Barry county, to Lowell, in Kent county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 326, entitled

A bill to regulate the employment of convicts in the work-houses, houses of correction, and other prisons of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 327, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6718 of the Compiled Laws of 1872, being section 25 of chapter 211, relative to forcible entries and detainers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the board of control to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of Ontonagon to the Montreal River.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on public lands and railroads jointly.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to authorize the counties of Marquette, Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Keweenaw to purchase lands at the annual State tax sales.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette," approved April 10, A. D. 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Stowe, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the opening and improvement of roads on the line of adjoining townships," approved March 19, 1863, being section 1214 of chapter 23 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and add three new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 332, entitled

A bill for the organization of the township of Wilber, in the county of Iosco.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors, and improve the same," approved March 13, 1861, by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 24.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Gerrish, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Chase, Osceola county, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and,

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Raulte,
Budlong,	Hart,	Norton,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Daly,	Knight,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker, 80

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 335, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and instruction of normal classes in union and high schools.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill supplemental to "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind in this State," it being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 19, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 327, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 6718 of the Compiled Laws of 1872, being section 35 of chapter 211, relative to forcible entries and detainers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 328, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the board of control to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of Ontonagon to the Montreal River.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on public lands and railroads jointly.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to authorize the counties of Marquette, Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Keweenaw to purchase lands at the annual State tax sales.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette," approved April 10, A. D. 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Stowe, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the opening and improvement of roads on the line of adjoining townships," approved March 19, 1863, being section 1214 of chapter 23 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and add three new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 332, entitled

A bill for the organization of the township of Wilber, in the county of Iosco.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 333, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors, and improve the same," approved March 13, 1861, by adding thereto a new section to stand as section 24.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Gerrish, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Chase, Osceola county, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and,
On motion of Mr. Morse,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Raulte,
Budlong,	Hart,	Norton,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Daly,	Knight,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker, 80

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 335, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and instruction of normal classes in union and high schools.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Walker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill supplemental to "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind in this State," it being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 19, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind.

Mr. Preston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 337, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of act number 53 of the laws of 1859, being "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved February 3, 1859, and for the registration of the electors of the first and fifth wards of said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. West, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to George S. Hoppin upon appraised University land certificate No. 338.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wood, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 338, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 127 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act relative to courts held by justices of the peace," approved April 15, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 339, entitled

A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to repeal section 93, chapter 18, being section 920, Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act for the re-organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Van Aken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 341, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 14, 15, 16, and 19, chapter 21 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, being sections 969, 980, 981, 982, and 985, Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 23, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the lands known as the Dewey Asset lands in Genesee county.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Watkins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 342, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Casinovia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Berk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 24, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the distribution of the laws, journals, documents, and joint documents of the session of the Legislature for the year 1875.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Remer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 25, entitled

Joint resolution to amend Article IX. of the constitution of this State, relating to the salary of judges of the circuit courts.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Remer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 26, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to audit and pay the claims of the non-commissioned officers and musicians of the 5th, 6th, and 7th regiments of Michigan volunteer infantry, for services rendered in the month of August, 1861.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Armstrong, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 343, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Backus moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Towne moved to amend by making the time 2½ o'clock P. M.

Which amendment was agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 344, entitled

A bill to authorize and direct the Auditor General to credit to Gratiot county the amount of delinquent ditch tax remaining unpaid and assessed to towns in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 345, entitled

A bill to amend section 5250 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to jurisdiction of justices' courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Towne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 346, entitled

A bill making an appropriation of certain swamp lands in township 2 north, range 11 west, in the county of Allegan, for the purpose of drainage and reclamation; and authorizing the drain commissioners of Barry county to change the direction of a certain water course or lake outlet.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Meyer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 347, entitled

A bill to amend section 13, of chapter 26, being section 1264 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Remer, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 348, entitled

A bill authorizing the state land commissioner to deed the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 16, town 5 north, range 16 east, St. Clair county, to Joseph Probst.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wiley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 349, entitled

A bill to amend section 43, Compiled Laws of 1871, chapter 178, entitled "An act relative to justices' courts."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Wiley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 350, entitled

A bill to prevent the spread of the contagious disease of the peach known as the yellows, and to provide measures for the eradication of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on agriculture and judiciary, jointly.

Mr. Stowe, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Howell, county of Livingston.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and,

On motion of Mr. Stowe,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Houston,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
O. Brown,	Howard,	Neff,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Rualte,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walton,
Cole,	Hull,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	West,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Remer,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lay,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Goodyear,			85

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stowe,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 352, entitled,

A bill to repeal "An act to provide for the incorporation of savings associations," approved April 3, 1869, as amended by Act No. 183 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 17, 1871, being chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 353, entitled

A bill to establish a bureau of banking.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. E. H. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 354, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 40 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Brokers and exchange dealers," by adding four new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Wilson, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 355, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 84 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the formation of corporations to construct canals or harbors and improve the same, by adding two new sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Wood unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 356, entitled

A bill to authorize the inspectors of the State Prison at Jackson, to convey certain lands for streets, and to purchase land outside of the city limits on which to erect a pest-house.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Ocobock, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 357, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Wyandotte."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hulbert, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 358, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Quincy, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Hancock, in the county of Houghton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Kilbourne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 359, entitled

A bill to promote industrial education, and change the name of the Agricultural College and the State Board of Agriculture.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Agricultural College.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 360, entitled

A bill to authorize the Paw Paw Railroad Company to increase its charge for passenger fares to ten cents per mile.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 361, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 15, and 18, of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, being sections 969, 981, and 984 of the Compiled Laws of 1871."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Cole, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 27, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the erection of a monument to the memory of Pere Marquette.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Curry, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House joint resolution No. 28, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to settle with all persons heretofore engaged in mining iron ore in the county of Marquette, for the specific taxes due from such persons at the same rate required by law to be paid by corporations.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

By unanimous consent the following report was made:

By the select committee on apportionment:

The select committee on apportionment, to whom was referred

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to apportion anew the Representatives in the State Legislature to the several counties and districts of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to apportion anew the Representatives among the several counties and districts of the State,

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee,

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the board of fish commissioners for the year 1875 and the year 1876.

Pending the reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on fisheries.

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Schattler,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Berk,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Rualte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Norton,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Cole,	Huggett,	Packard,	West,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,			

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Rualte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walker,

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Hubbard,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. Walton,
Copley,	Huggett,	Parker,	West.
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,		
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 142, entitled,

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Shattler,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bartow,	I. Green,	McLaughlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Berk,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Billings,	Harris,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walker,
Copley,	Huggett,	Parker,	Walton,
Craig,	Hull,	Preston,	West,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Remer,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Lay,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Lee,		
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Harden offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to furnish the House the

following information: The amount of taxes from all lands not sold at the October sales of lands for delinquent taxes, and in consequence thereof go upon the five year list; also the amount undisposed of under the operation of section 124, chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the sale of lands for delinquent taxes.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Briggs offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be instructed to report to this House, at as early a day as practicable, the amount of all the appropriations from the State means already made by the present Legislature, together with the amount of all appropriations now pending for the support of the State institutions, or for other purposes, with an estimate of the amount of State tax that will be required to be levied to meet the same.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule 45 of the House, so far as it relates to giving notice of the introduction of bills, be suspended for the remainder of the session;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Taylor in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bill:

1. House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 12, of chapter 268 of Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 8135 and 8137, relative to the State Reform School,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, of Compiled Laws of 1871,

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be recommitted to the committee on ways and means.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first named bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the second named bill,

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred, and the bill was re-committed to the committee on ways and means.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:
House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Chase, Osceola county, for the year 1874,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 334, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Chase, in the county of Lake, for the year 1874.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By unanimous consent the House resumed the order of

NOTICES.

Mr. Livingstone gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the location, establishment, and organization of a State House of Correction, and making appropriation therefor.

Mr. Stowe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize certain ditch taxes in Livingston county.

Mr. Hunt gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate commercial agencies;

Also,

A bill to amend section 6026 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 by striking out the word "shall" in the 6th line of said section, and insert in lieu thereof "may in its discretion;"

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 22, 1869, and the acts amendatory thereto.

Mr. Ferguson gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach from the incorporated union school district of the city of Owosso all of section twenty-five of township seven north, of range 2 east, in Shiawassee county, Michigan, now in said district, therefrom, and attach the same to fractional school district number two of Owosso and Bennington.

Mr. Harris gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, and 53 of an act No. 429, session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, and the several acts amendatory thereto, in relation to the charter of the city of Grand Haven.

Mr. Townsend gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize township No. 10 north, range No. 12 east, to be known as the township of Butler.

Mr. Rich gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Lapeer.

Mr. Morse gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Alma, Gratiot county.

Mr. Van Raalte gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Zeeland, in Ottawa county.

Mr. Norton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to attach the north half of Crawford county to Otsego county.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 19 and 35 of an act to provide for holding general and special elections, being sections 50 and 66 of chapter 6 of Compiled Laws of 1871.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 24, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Prudens.

Absent without leave, Mr. Lee.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lee for the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Friday.

Mr. Robbins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Keyes for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ludington and himself for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 517. By Mr. Budlong: Petition of M. Collins, D. W. Murray, and 21 other citizens of Calhoun county, in favor of the prohibitory law and against its repeal;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 518. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of J. N. Willey, Frank S. Postal, and 125 others, for an appropriation of State swamp land to improve Osceola and Houghton Lake State Road;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 519. By Mr. Robbins: Remonstrance of Thomas McFarlane, L. Tabor, N. Herriman, and 312 other citizens of the city of Adrian, against amendment of the charter of the city in regard to the control and distribution of the poor fund.

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 520. By Mr. Northrop: Petition of Jared Patchen, Lyman Cochrane, John S. Tibbetts, and 10 others, in relation to fees of certain officers in civil cases;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 521. By Mr. Schattler: Petition of John Hemmens and 51 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 522. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of Josiah Dilley and 107 tax-payers of Ionia, for the repeal of the county superintendency;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 523. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of Josiah Dilley, Wm. Root, and 94 tax-payers of Ionia county, for the taxing of church property;

Referred to the committees on State affairs and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 524. By Mr. Benedict: Petition of Alorzo Sessions and 19 others of Ionia, for the repeal of the county superintendency;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 525. By Mr. Harden: Petition of McBenzie Blakeley and 45 other citizens of Lexington, Sanilac county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but in favor of certain amendments;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 526. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of H. D. Griswold and 173 other citizens of Wexford county, in favor of the township of Cleon remaining in Wexford county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 527. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of William Mayo and Alfred H. Cady and 13 other citizens of Jackson and Ingham counties, praying for relief from the exactions of the Jackson & Michigan Plank Road Company;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 528. By Mr. I. P. Wheeler: Petition of H. W. Dowy and others relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 529. By Mr. Packard: Petition of Mrs. Emily M. Packard, Mrs. J. A. Kirk, Mrs. A. H. Morrison, Mrs. W. G. Cummins, and 85 other female taxpayers, praying that property owned by females may be exempt from taxation.

On demand of Mr. Packard,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

STURGIS, February 1st, 1875.

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan:

Your petitioners of the State of Michigan respectfully represent that they are holders of real and personal property in said State, and that, whereas *taxation*

without *representation* is *tyranny*, they humbly pray that your honorable body would pass an act exempting the property of women from taxation, until such time as the wisdom of the Legislature may grant them equal representation, levying taxes, or otherwise affecting property, and your petitioners will ever pray ;

The petition was referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 530. By Mr. West: Petition of Charles A. Spencer, John Byers, J. K. Bishop, and 61 other citizens of Berrien county, and members of the order of patrons of husbandry, asking for a general act of incorporation for the order in this State ;

Referred to the committee on agriculture.

No. 531. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of John S. Shurtleff, John B. Wiengkamp, John Wagley, and 42 other residents of La Croix township in Emmet county, praying the Legislature to change the name of said township to Cross Village ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 532. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Nehemiah Countryman, and 49 others, citizens of Mundy, Genesee county, in favor of strengthening the prohibitory law, and against its repeal ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 533. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of N. Barlow, A. J. Brown, Daniel Striker, L. D. Quackenbush, and 70 others, asking \$100 bounty for certain volunteers.

On demand of Mr. Goodyear,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in Legislative Session convened :

The undersigned, volunteers of 1864, and others, do hereby earnestly, anxiously, respectfully, and humbly entreat and petition your honorable bodies to pass an act granting a uniform bounty of one hundred dollars to each and every volunteer (excepting those which have already had it) who enlisted in the year 1864, under the law enacted by the Legislature, and approved February 5th, 1864, of which section 8 reads as follows, and will be found on page 346 of the late compiled laws of this State:

There shall be paid from the war fund of this State a uniform State bounty of one hundred dollars to each person below the rank of a commissioned officer who may hereafter enlist and be mustered into the military or naval service of the United States, and who shall be credited on the quota of this State, or any military district thereof, under any call or order of the President or military authorities of the United States, or of this State, made or issued since the first day of January, A. D. 1864: *Provided*, That none of the bounties provided for in this act shall hereafter be paid to any volunteer being a resident of this State at the time of enlisting who shall be credited to any sub-district, township, or ward other than that in which he is enrolled, or, if not enrolled, where he resided at the time of his enlistment.

Now, the reasons why we,—your petitioners,—ask the passage of such an act as we ask for is obvious and plain: first, the law of 1864 granting a uniform bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer enlisting under it and complying with its requisitions, was passed in good faith, and considered a part of a *bona fide* contract with those who enlisted under it and performed on their part,

said law never having been repealed, although, under varied pretexts, the State officers have refused to pay said bounty, one of which is an order of the Adjutant General of the State, issued May 14th, 1864, discontinuing said bounty to said date, excepting those re-enlisting as veterans, such order being of very doubtful legality, and scarcely known by said volunteers; another of which is a proclamation of Governor Blair, issued on the 21st day of July, A. D. 1864, stating, in contradistinction to said law, that no State bounty could be paid, giving as a reason the liberal bounties paid by the United States and by the local authorities of this State, which reason was not a very potent one with the Legislature of 1865, who, notwithstanding the liberal bounties of the United States and local authorities of this State, passed an act giving a uniform bounty (to three years volunteers) of one hundred and fifty dollars. Now, the aforesaid proclamation was not generally known to volunteers.

Whereas, the law of 1864, was generally promulgated as an inducement for volunteers to enlist, and was an inducement for them to enlist, and considered by them as a partial consideration for so enlisting, now, in consideration of the foregoing, we consider for the good faith of the State, and justice to said volunteers, that your Honorable bodies ought to grant the prayer of your petitioners, for which we will ever pray.

Dated, the 22d day of Feb., A. D. 1875, at Hastings, Barry county.

The petition was referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 534. By Mr. Goodyear: Petition of T. B. Willison, A. Whitcomb, D. C. Warner, and 70 others, asking an appropriation to lower the Thornapple Lake, in Barry county;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

No. 535. By Mr. Hunt: Petition of Wm. Dennison and 137 others, relative to justices of the peace of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 536. By Mr. Hertzler: Remonstrance of Jno. H. Hayward and sundry others, against the passage of any law repealing the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 537. By Mr. Morse: Petition of S. J. Scott and 13 others, being all the attorneys of Gratiot county, for the formation of a new judicial circuit.

On demand of Mr. Morse,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable State Senators and Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your petitions respectfully represent that they are attorneys at law and solicitors in chancery, and are members of the Gratiot county bar, and that Gratiot constitutes a part of the tenth judicial circuit.

Your petitioners farther represent that the legal business in the tenth judicial circuit has so rapidly increased within the past three or four years, that it is now impossible for one circuit judge to do justice to the various litigants, and that it is the usual practice of Judge Tennant, our present circuit judge, to limit attorneys to twenty minutes on a side in which to argue their cases, and that on account of the amount of business he is called upon to transact, he cannot give longer time to the argument of cases.

Your petitioners further represent, that even with the limited time above given for the argument of cases, the court is unable to hear the contested chancery business during the term, and that for more than one year last past no

contested chancery cases in this county have been argued in open court, but that solicitors have been obliged to submit such cases on briefs, or go to Saginaw at great expense and loss of time to argue them before the circuit judge at chambers.

Your petitioners further represent, that they cannot in the time to which they are limited, do justice to themselves or to their clients, and that in their opinion the tenth judicial circuit should be divided; that Saginaw county alone furnishes business enough for one circuit judge, and that the remaining counties in said tenth judicial circuit would, at the present time, constitute a judicial circuit in which there would be a very fair amount of litigation, and in a very short time would furnish an abundance of business for a circuit judge.

Your petitioners further represent, that in this county three or four years since, three terms of court per year, of two days each, were amply sufficient to do all of the circuit court business of the county, but that at the present time three terms of two weeks each are not sufficient without holding night sessions, and also limiting time of argument, as before stated, in most cases to twenty minutes on a side. And that in the opinion of your petitioners, hereafter this county will require four terms of court per year, of from two to three weeks per term.

Your petitioners further represent that they have been informed, and believe the truth to be, that in the other counties of this district the business has increased for the past three or four years, and promises to increase for some time to come, in a ratio equal to that in this county, and therefore in the opinion of your petitioners, a division of the district is absolutely required for the protection of the rights of litigants, as well as for the convenience of all concerned.

In consideration of the premises, your petitioners pray your honorable body to constitute the counties of Gratiot, Isabella, Clare, Midland, Gladwin, and Roscommon, into a new judicial circuit, to be known as the twenty-first judicial circuit, and your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

The petition was referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 538. By Mr. Morse: Petition of W. D. Phillips and 36 others residents, and tax-payers of Gratiot county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 539. By Mr. Morse: Petition of Geo. P. Helt and 85 others, residents of Gratiot county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 540. By Mr. Morse: Petition of John Schmidt and 26 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 541. By Mr. Morse: Petition of Chas. H. Howd and 25 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 542. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of Kate R. Harker and 110 other women, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in enforcing the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 543. By Mr. Briggs: Remonstrance of B. F. Pierce, Foster Tucker, E. P. Fuller, David Fisher, William E. Calkins, and 164 other residents and property owners on the strip of land proposed to be taken from the township of Grand Rapids and attached to the city of Grand Rapids, remonstrating against the change;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 544. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of J. N. Crocker and 88 other citizens of Reed City, Osceola county, for an act of incorporation;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 545. By Mr. Hunt: Memorial of Friend Palmer to the Legislature of the State of Michigan, asking for compensation for settling the State claim for war expenses against the United States.

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Copley, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That all bills, of which previous notice has been given, shall be considered as regularly presented, if sent to the Clerk's desk properly endorsed; Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 320, entitled

A bill to authorize the counties of Marquette, Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Keweenaw to purchase lands at the annual State tax sales,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Roscommon, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Houghton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Houghton,

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

ISAAC GREEN, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Roscommon in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Roscommon in said county ;

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in and do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

ISAAC GREEN, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges :

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 26, being section 1259 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organizing the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of "Echo,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Wexford, and attach the same to the county of Manistee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment.

and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Republic, in Houghton county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on local taxation:

The committee on local taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 291, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Mon-
guagon, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. D. LAY, *Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stowe,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Bartow,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Berk,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
Billings,	Harris,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Preston,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ranney,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Remer,	Whitney,

Mr. Craig,
Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Garfield,

Mr. Hulbert,
Hull,
Hunt,
Klein,
Knight,

Mr. Rich,
Robbins,
Robinson,
Schattler,
Smith,

Mr. Wiley,
Wilson,
Wood,
Yeckley,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on ways and means and military affairs, jointly:

The committee on ways and means and military affairs, jointly, to whom was re-committed

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," being section 924 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

T. A. FERGUSON,

Chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands, and University and Normal School:

The committees on public lands and University and Normal School, jointly, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend section 20, of chapter 141, relating to University and school lands, being section 3836 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

L. J. TAYLOR,

Chairman of the Committee on University and Normal School.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to George S. Hoppin upon appraised University land certificate number 338,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to cede jurisdiction to the United States on certain land, and for the purchase and condemnation thereof," approved March 24, 1874, being act No. 5 of the session laws of 1874,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. F. HARDEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public health:

The committee on public health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled "An act to authorize dissections in certain cases, for the advancement of science," being sections 2110, 2111, and 2112, of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN B. SWEETLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind:

The committee on the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, to whom was referred

House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill supplemental to "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind, in this State," etc., being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 17, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment,

and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAMUEL S. WALKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 23, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to provide for the collection of special taxes levied and assessed in the city of Big Rapids;

2. Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State Public School for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871, and to add three new sections to said act, to be known as sections 20, 21, and 22 ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Howard,	Norton,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Ransom,	Wood,

Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Knight, Lay, Little,	Mr. Reed, Remer,	Mr. Yeckley, Speaker,	80
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Mr. Hale, Huggett,	Mr. Rich, Sweetland,	Mr. Townsend, Van Aken,	Mr. Walton, Whitney,	8
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mercer,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State public school.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheshire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874;

2. House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax roll of the first ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for the year 1874;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Calumet township, Houghton county,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out all of section 4 after the word "village," in lines 12 and 14;

2. Amend section 16 so that the same will read as follows:

Sec. 16. Any justice of the peace of the township of Calumet aforesaid shall have full power and authority, and it is hereby made the duty of such justice upon complaint to him in writing by the village attorney, or upon the oath of any other person to inquire into, hear, try, and determine all offenses which may be committed in said village against any of the by-laws or ordinances which

shall be made by the common council in pursuance of the powers granted by this act, and to punish the offenders as by the said by-laws or ordinances shall be prescribed or directed ; to award all process and take recognizances for the keeping of the peace, for the appearance of the persons charged upon appeal, and to commit to prison as occasion shall lawfully require. In all prosecutions for the violation of any of the by laws or ordinances passed by the said common council, upon complaint being made in writing by the village attorney, or by any other person upon oath before any such justice of the peace, setting forth therein the substance of the offense complained of, such justice of the peace shall issue a warrant in the name of the people of the State of Michigan for the apprehension of the offender, directed to the marshal of said village, or any constable of the county of Houghton, and such process may be executed by any of said officers anywhere within the counties of Houghton, Keweenaw and Baraga, and shall be returnable in the same manner as other process issued by justices of the peace ; that upon bringing the person so charged before said justice of the peace, he shall plead to said complaint, and in case of his refusing to plead thereto, or standing mute, the said justice of the peace shall enter the plea of "not guilty" for the person so charged ; that upon said complaint and plea a trial shall be had, and upon conviction of the said offender, and the imposition of a fine, it shall be the duty of the justice of the peace to issue forthwith an execution directed to the marshal of said village, or any constable of said county, commanding him to collect of the goods and chattels of the person so offending the amount of such fine with interest and costs ; and for the want of goods and chattels wherewith to satisfy the same, that he take the body of the defendant and commit him to the common jail of the county of Houghton, and the sheriff or keeper of said prison shall safely keep the body of the person so committed until he be discharged by due course of law ; and in case by the judgment of said justice a fine be imposed, and by such judgment it be further provided that such person so convicted, on failing to pay said fine so imposed, shall be imprisoned in the county jail of Houghton county until the payment of such fine, not exceeding a term to be fixed in said judgment, and not exceeding in any case a term of ninety days, then said justice shall issue a commitment directed as aforesaid, commanding the commitment of such person to the said jail or prison until the payment of such fine, not exceeding the time fixed in the judgment of the court, or until he be discharged by due course of law ; and in cases where fine and imprisonment, or imprisonment alone shall be imposed upon the person so convicted by the judgment of such justice, said justice shall issue the necessary process to carry such judgment into effect ; and in all cases where any person shall be committed to said jail in the manner aforesaid, the sheriff of Houghton county or keeper of the said jail shall receive and safely keep the body of such persons so committed until discharged by due course of law. In prosecutions for the violation of any of the by-laws or ordinances of said village, it shall not be necessary to plead or set forth any such by-law or ordinance, or any of the provisions thereof in any complaint, pleading, warrant, writ or process ; but the same shall be deemed well and sufficiently pleaded and set forth by reciting the title to any such ordinance or by-law, and the date of its passage or approval ; and the court or officer before whom any such prosecution shall be tried, shall take notice, without proof of the existence and provisions of such ordinance or by-law, unless the existence or validity of such by-law or ordinance shall be specially put in issue by the plea or notice of the defendant.

3. By striking out in lines 7 and 8, of section 24, the words " recorder of said

village shall," and insert in lieu thereof the words "any justice of the peace of said township of Calumet shall, upon application of said common council, by its attorney or other authorized agent ;"

4. In line 8, section 24, strike out the words "and the seal of said village ;"

5. In lines 10, 14, 20, 22, and 27, section 24, strike out the word "recorder" and insert in lieu thereof the word "justice ;"

6. Amend section 38 so that it will read as follows :

"Sec. 38. All suits which shall be brought to recover any penalty or forfeiture, for the violation of any ordinance of the common council, shall be brought in the name of the village of Red Jacket, under the direction of the common council or of the attorney of said village ; and no person being an inhabitant, freeman, or freeholder of the said village shall be disqualified for that cause from acting as a judge, justice, or juror in the trial or other proceeding, in any suit brought to recover a forfeiture or penalty for the violation of any provision of this act, or for the violation of any ordinance of the common council, nor from serving any process, summoning a jury in such suit, or from acting in any such capacity, or being a witness on the trial of any issue, or upon taking or making any inquisition or assessment, or any judicial investigation of facts to which issue, inquest, or investigation the said village or any village officer is a party, or in which said village or such officer is interested ; nor shall any judge of any court be disqualified to hear and adjudicate on an appeal in any matter originating in said village, because he is an inhabitant thereof. If any judgment in any action shall be rendered against the village by any justice of the peace, such judgment may be removed by appeal or *certiorari* to the circuit court of Houghton county, in the same manner and with the same effect as though the village were a natural person, except that no bond or recognizance to the adverse party shall be necessary to be executed by or on behalf of the said village. All moneys received by said village for penalties and forfeitures, shall be disposed of as the common council may direct, who shall have power to remit any fines or penalties which are imposed by this act ;"

7. By striking out all of section 39 ;

8. By striking out in line 1, of section 40, the word "recorder" and insert "any justice of the peace aforesaid ;"

9. By striking out in line 4, of same section, the word "similar" and insert the word "civil ;"

10. By striking out in line 7, section 43, the words "recorder of said village," and insert in lieu thereof the words "any justice of the peace aforesaid ;"

11. By striking out in line 8, of section 43, the word "recorder" and insert the word "justice ;"

12. By striking out all of section 47 ;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :.

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	West,
Churchill,	Howard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	Yeckley,
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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. I. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 362, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Roscommon in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Higgins in said county.

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A bill to allow the members from the upper peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day in accordance with section 15, Article IV. of the constitution.

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A bill appropriating the interest arising from the non-payment of taxes on part-paid swamp lands in certain townships in Van Buren county for the drainage and reclamation of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on drainage.

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A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 26 of Compiled Laws, being compiler's section 1252, relative to laying out of highways through orchards," approved April 22, 1873.

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A bill to amend sections 19 and 35 of an act to provide for holding general and special elections, being sections 50 and 66, chapter 6 of Compiled Laws for the year 1871.

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The bill was referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Copley, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 373, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the support of the State Agricultural College, to pay the expenses of the State Board of Agriculture, and for buildings and other improvements at the Agricultural College,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Agricultural College.

Mr. Northrop, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 374, entitled,

A bill to provide a salary for county officers,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Sutton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 375, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Ann Arbor to levy and collect taxes for a specific purpose.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Sutton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted introduced

House bill No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to revise and amend an act to incorporate the city of Ann Arbor, approved April 4, 1851, and all acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Sutton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to provide for a re-registration of the electors in the city of Ann Arbor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 378, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of Article VI. of act No. 251 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Alma, and to add two new sections thereto."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Wood, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 379, entitled

A bill to amend section 19 of chapter 172 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 8065 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State prison.

Mr. Wood, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 380, entitled

A bill to provide for removing obstructions from, and deepening, and straightening the channel of Grand River, in a portion of the county of Jackson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, 33, and 36 of title 6, of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 14 of title 4, of said act, title 9 of said act, and section 28 of title 11, of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced .

House bill No. 382, entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, being act No. 249 of the session laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 383, entitled

A bill to prevent the cutting and destruction of timber on lands, the title of which is in the State by reason of sale for delinquent taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. West, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 384, entitled

A bill to prohibit the State Treasurer from paying over to the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan any moneys appropriated by any law of this State until the said Board of Regents shall have complied with the provision of act number 63 of the Session Laws of 1873, being an act to provide for the appointment of two professors of homœopathy in the department of medicine of the University of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on university and normal school.

Mr. West, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan," and to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," the same being act number 32 of the Session Laws of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

Mr. Ocobock, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 386, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of Wyandotte in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Ocobock,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Greiner moved to amend by striking out the word "Wyandotte" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Wayne county, except Detroit."

Mr. Daly moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words "except Detroit," and making the bill apply to the whole county of Wayne.

Which motion prevailed.

The amendment as amended was then agreed to.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Struble,
Berk,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hull,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robinson,	Yeckley,
Eggleston,	Lay,		

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Mr. Speaker,

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Ocobock moved to amend the title by striking out the words: "of the city of Wyandotte."

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ocobock,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Billings, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 387, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States, in certain cases, during the late war.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

The Speaker asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for March 2 and 3.

Mr. Hale, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, approved February 3, 1855, by adding one new section thereto, to stand as section 22.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Walton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road commencing on the county line between the counties of Midland and Bay, and running into the unorganized county of Gladwin, and making an appropriation of non-resident highway taxes for the purpose of constructing the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 390, entitled

A bill to authorize and require the corporation of Bay City to assume and pay the indebtedness incurred in the construction of the Fourteenth street sewer in Bay City, and to provide for the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Norton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 391, entitled,

A bill to organize the township of Patterson, in the county of Crawford, and attach the same to the county of Otsego.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Norton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to amend section 93 of chapter 88, being section 920 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation the revenue of the militia.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 393, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of act No. 202 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Whitehall."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Backus, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 394, entitled

A bill to aid in the construction of the Alpena and Michigan Southwestern railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Backus, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 395, entitled

A bill to amend section 8, of chapter 21, being section 974 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the taxation of shares in National or State banks.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations,

Mr. Harden, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 396, entitled

A bill to amend section 32 and 68, of chapter 21, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of the county clerk and Auditor General.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Whitney, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' approved March 29, 1871."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hale, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 398, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 237, being section 7362 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to jails and jail limits.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State prison.

Mr. Lay, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to authorize the judge of probate of Washtenaw county to appoint a probate register;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Lay,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Towne asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Goodyear for the afternoon, on account of sickness.

Mr. Remer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Parker asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from 3 o'clock, for the remainder of the afternoon.

Mr. Parker, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That unanimous consent to introduce all bills of which no previous notice has been given, is hereby given, and bills may be sent to the Clerk by members, without addressing the Speaker;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 399, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw, Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Neff, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 400, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Trenton, Wayne county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 401, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Michigamme.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Van Raalte, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 402, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Zeeland, in the county of Ottawa.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Gerrish, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 403, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Reed City, in the county of Osceola.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Livingstone, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 404, entitled

A bill to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State Prison and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State prison.

Mr. Whitney, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 405, entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 21, Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An

act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection of taxes thereon."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Knight, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 406, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Schoolcraft," approved March 12, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. E. H. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 407, entitled

A bill to define and establish the boundary line between the counties of Mackinac and Chippewa.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Livingstone, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 408, entitled

A bill to amend section (5399) five thousand three hundred and ninety-nine of chapter (178) one hundred and seventy-eight of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to justice courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. E. H. Green, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 409, entitled

A bill to legalize certain highways in the county of Charlevoix.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 410, entitled

A bill to compel insurance companies to make survey and appraisal of property before insuring.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 411, entitled

A bill to amend section 9 of chapter 139 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 7141 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, touching the limitation of actions relating to real property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 412, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act relative to proof of demands in suits," approved March 26, 1867, being section 5954 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add a new section thereto relating to actions brought on promissory notes and bills of exchange.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Watkins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 413, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations to provide the members thereof with homesteads or lots of land for homesteads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Livingstone, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 414, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person, partnership, association, or corporation from collecting tolls or charges, or from exercising any control over the harbor at the mouth of Thunder Bay River in Alpena county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Bailey, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 415, entitled

A bill to amend section 4407, Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the inventory and collection of the effects of deceased persons, as amended by act 147 of the session laws of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Bradfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 416, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Algonquin, in the county of Ontonagon, and attach the same to the township of Greenland, in the county of Ontonagon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Packard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 417, entitled

A bill to exempt the property of women from taxation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Stowe, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to legalize the records and proceedings to construct ditch No. 1, in the township of Howell, Livingston county, and the branch ditch intersecting the same: also to authorize the township drain commissioner to clear out and keep the same in repair, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, to defray the expense of constructing and keeping the same in repair.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 419, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Thompson, in the county of Iosco, and attach the same to the township of Ogemaw, in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 420, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Alabaster, in the county of Iosco, and to attach the same to the township of Edwards, in Ogemaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 421, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Rose, in the county of Ogemaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Towne, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 422, entitled

A bill to amend sections 59 and 60 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Nashville, in the county of Barry, being act No. 356, of the session laws of 1869, approved March 26, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Preston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 423, entitled

A bill to amend section 771, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to fences and fence viewers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 424, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the business of banking," approved Feb. 16, 1857, being chapter 72 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Little, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 425, entitled

A bill to regulate contracts of insurance and actions brought thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Klein, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 426, entitled

An act to provide for the custody and safe keeping of persons who are tried for murder and other high crimes, and are acquitted by reason of insanity.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hale, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 427, entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 266, being section 8018 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to county jails and the regulation thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 428, entitled

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 260, being section 7930 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to indictments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 429, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 247, being sections 7661 and 7662 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against public justice.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 430, entitled

A bill to amend section 9, of chapter 223, being section 6995, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to *habeas corpus* and *certiorari*, to inquire into causes of detention.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 431, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 211, being section 6706 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to summary proceedings to recover the possession of lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Keyes, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 432, entitled

A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations, approved April 3, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Metcalf, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 433, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of control of State swamp lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid the "Flat River and Houghton Lake railroad company" in the construction of a railroad from the township of Otisco, in Ionia county, to Houghton Lake, in Roscommon county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads and public lands jointly.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 434, entitled

A bill to amend section 127 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An act relative to courts held by justices of the peace."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 435, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit courts and the district courts of the Upper Peninsula," approved March 16, 1861, being chapter 202 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and by adding a new section thereto to stand as section 51.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 436, entitled

A bill to amend an act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Little, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 437, entitled

A bill to appropriate non-resident highway tax for the improvement of a wagon road in Saginaw and Gratiot counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 438, entitled

A bill to amend sections 64, 66, 69, of an act entitled "An act to authorize the business of banking," approved Feb. 15, 1857, and the acts amendatory thereto, for the organization of saving banks, approved March 31, 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 439, entitled

A bill to amend section 5473 of chapter 178 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act relative to courts held by justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 440, entitled

An act to authorize the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a central public market in said city, and to issue its bonds for the payment of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 441, entitled

An act to incorporate commercial agencies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Townsend, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 442, entitled

A bill to organize township No. 10 north, range No. 12 east, to be known as the township of Butler.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Townsend, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 443, entitled

A bill to detach the north half of township No. 10 north, range No. 12 east, from the county of Sanilac, and attach the same to the county of Lapeer.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 444, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of an act to authorize proceedings by garnishment in the circuit court and the district court of the Upper Peninsula, being sections 6465, 6466 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 445, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, as amended by the acts amendatory thereof, approved April 30, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Gerrish, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 446, entitled

A bill to lay out and improve a road known as the Millbrook and Orient State road, in the counties of Mecosta and Osceola.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Gerrish, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 447, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hersey, in Osceola county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Livingstone, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 448, entitled

A bill providing for the location, establishment, and organization of a State house of correction, and making an appropriation therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Walton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 449, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Bay county, and Bay City, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of land situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 450, entitled

A bill to further amend section 12 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," approved February 24, 1869, as amended by "An act relative to schools," approved March 27, 1873, the same being act No. 331, of the session laws of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 451, entitled

A bill to amend section 3038 of an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of charitable societies," approved February 6, 1855.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 452, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the drainage of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 22, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto, being chapter 47 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 453, entitled

A bill to amend section 57, of chapter 189, being compiler's section 6026 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to trials of issues of fact.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 454, entitled

A bill to authorize the township drain commissioner of Wheeler to re-assess the ditch tax on the Tubbs Wheeler Ditch No. 1,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The bill was laid upon the table.

Mr. West, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 455, entitled

A bill to change the name of Clarence D. Wright to Clarence D. Vincent, and constitute him heir-at-law of Marvin J. Vincent and Almira Vincent.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House Bill No. 456, entitled

A bill to regulate the issuing of warrants and writs of attachments from justice's courts, founded upon affidavit and application in civil suits.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 457, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 11 of chapter 150 of the revised statutes of 1846 as amended by act 164 of session laws of 1867, etc."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 458, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, and 10 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 4, 6, and 10, 99, 110, 111, 112, 113, and 114 of an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian,' approved March 20, 1865, approved March 20, 1869," approved March 18, 1861, and also to amend sections 55, 56, 61, 64, 65, 87, 106, 120 of "An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian," approved March 20, 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 459, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to confirm deeds and instruments intended for the conveyance of real estate in certain cases," approved February 2, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 460, entitled

A bill to amend section 44, of chapter 202, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to garnishees.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 461, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to provide for the custody and safe keeping of persons who are tried for murder and

other high crimes and are acquitted by reason of insanity," approved April 25, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Robbins, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 462, entitled

A bill to amend section 98 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Adrian," approved March 20, 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Robbins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 463, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 47 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 22, 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Robbins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 464, entitled

A bill to amend section 46 of chapter 154 of Revised Statutes of 1846, being section 7597 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to malicious injury to dams, reservoirs, and canals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Robbins, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 465, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 154 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 7553 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to arson.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. F. O. Clark, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 466, entitled,

A bill to amend section 7435 of chapter 239 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and to repeal act No. 107 of session laws of 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Preston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 467, entitled

A bill to amend section 985 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, in relation to assessments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 468, entitled

A bill to ratify and accept an agreement made by the owners of the Jackson and Michigan plank road to surrender the same and relinquish the right to receive tolls thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 469, entitled

A bill to amend an act relative to plank road companies, approved February 12, 1855.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 470, entitled

A bill for the better perpetuation of the original surveys.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wilson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 471, entitled

A bill to provide for the redemption of lands sold for taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Wilson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 472, entitled

A bill to provide for the division of townships into election districts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Northrop, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 473, entitled

A bill to amend section 7450 of chapter 289 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fees of certain officers in civil cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 474, entitled

A bill to amend section 25 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1873, relating to certificates of the supervisor on completion of tax rolls.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 475, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of L'Anse," approved April 18, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hulbert, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 476, entitled

A bill to establish a State Public School in the Upper Peninsula for dependent and neglected children.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 477, entitled

A bill to detach from the incorporated union school district of the city of Owosso, all of section twenty-five of township seven north of range two east,

in Shiawassee county, Michigan, now in said district, and attach the same to fractional school district No. 2 of Owosso and Bennington.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 478, entitled

A bill to detach section thirty-six from the township of Wexford, in the county of Wexford, and section thirty-one and all the territory south of the Manistee River, in the township of Hanover, in said county of Wexford, from said township of Hanover, and to organize all of said territory into a township to be called the township of Sherman.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 479, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 3, 6 and 9 of an act, entitled "An act establishing a lien for labor and services upon logs and timber," approved April 29th, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 480, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 12, being section 651 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to "township meetings."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 481, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Ogden, in the county of Wexford.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 482, entitled

A bill to amend sections 48 and 49 of chapter 18, being sections 875 and 876 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, of an act entitled "An act for the organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan," approved January 18, 1862.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Harris, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 483, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52 and 53 of act numbered 429, of the session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 73 of an act entitled 'An act to set off and incorporate a portion of the townships of Grand Haven and Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, into a city by the name of the city of Grand Haven,' approved March 16th, 1867, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 91.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given introduced

House bill No. 484, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of an act entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," approved and took effect April 8, 1851, amended by act 81 of the session laws of 1867, approved March 22, 1867, being section 477 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 485, entitled

A bill to amend sections 22, 23, 24, and 71 of chapter 58 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, as amended by act 34 of the laws of 1867, approved and took effect Feb. 28, 1867, as amended by act 170 of the laws of 1871, being sections 3602, 3603, 3604, and 3641 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 486, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the several townships of this State to raise money by tax, or to borrow money to build or repair bridges," approved March 25, 1867, being section 752 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 487, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, relating to highways, as amended by act 31 of the laws of 1871, approved March 10, 1871, being section 1220 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 488, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the cities, townships, and incorporated villages of the State of Michigan to aid in the construction and maintenance of wagon, gravel, cobble-stone, pounded stone, and plank roads," approved March 15, 1867, being section 1269 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 489, entitled

A bill to amend section 1269 of "An act relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways," approved and took effect March 15, 1861, being section 1269 of chapter 26 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 490, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 638 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 491, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 63 of an act, entitled "An act to amend an act to provide for erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State," being compiler's section 2090, and to add one new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 492, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of a bounty to certain soldiers who enlisted in Michigan regiments, companies, and batteries, and were mustered into the service of the United States during the years 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, and 1865, and to widows, children, and dependent parents of deceased soldiers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Sweetland, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 493, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Rich, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 494, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Lapeer.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 495, entitled

A bill to amend sections 32 and 36, of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the assessment and collection of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 496, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 156 of Revised Statutes of 1846, being sections 7661 and 7662 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against public justice.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 497, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 1 and 2 of chapter 169 of revised statutes of 1846, being sections 7803 and 7804 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and to amend section

3 of the same chapter, being section 7805 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to accessories.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 498, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act to provide for the withdrawal of treasury notes and for other purposes, approved Feb. 10, 1842, being section 309 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the misappropriation of moneys.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on state affairs.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 499, entitled

A bill to amend section 31, of chapter 153, of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being section 7340 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to exposing children with intent to abandon them.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Houston, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 500, entitled

A bill to amend section 1317 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to ornamental and shade trees.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was laid upon the table.

Mr. Garfield, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 501, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Lowell," approved March 15, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 502, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 7, and 9 of an act entitled "An act to provide for County Superintendents of Schools, and to amend section 91, and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90 of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws," approved March 13, 1867, and being sections 3759, 3761, 3762, and 3764 of the Compiled Laws.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Churchill, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 503, entitled

A bill for laying out, extending, and improving the Alpena and Antrim State road and appropriating certain non-resident highway taxes therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Gerrish, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 504, entitled

A bill to appropriate certain swamp lands or non-resident highway taxes for improving and repairs of a road known as the Mecosta, Osceola, and Missaukee State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Gerrish, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 505, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessments and taxation of railroad lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Curry, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 506, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 15 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver, or other ores, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5, 1853.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on manufactures and mines and minerals, jointly.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 507, entitled

A bill to provide for the graduation of the price of the State Swamp lands, and to authorize payment thereon in Swamp Land scrip.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 508, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of St. Louis," approved March 28, 1873.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee and attach the same to the county of Wexford.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment rolls, tax lists, and official returns of the township of Cleon, in Wexford county, for the years 1873 and 1874.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on local taxation.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 511, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of an act entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State," being section 2951 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 512, entitled

A bill to amend an act to provide for the publication of probate and other legal notices, being section 4397 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 513, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27, of chapter 171, entitled "General provisions concerning husband and wife," being sections 4776, 4777, 4778, 4779, 4780, 4781, 4782, 4783, 4784, 4785, 4786, 4787, 4788, 4793, 4794, 4795, 4796, 4797, 4798, 4799, 4800, 4801, and 4802 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 514, entitled

A bill to provide for the expenses of probate courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 515, entitled

A bill to amend an act to authorize the Supreme Court to appoint a crier, approved Feb. 23, 1861, by adding a new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Kilbourne, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 516, entitled

A bill to repeal section 190 of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 93 of the revised statutes of 1856, entitled 'Of courts held by justices of the peace,'" being section 5438 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to substitute therefor a new section.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 517, entitled

A bill providing for the sentence of prisoners in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Briggs, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 518, entitled

A bill to provide for an appropriation to enable the board of regents to establish and maintain a dental school in connection with the medical department of the State University.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on university and normal school.

Mr. Budlong, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 519, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 80, being section 2629 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the formation of telegraph companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Howland, unanimous consent being given, introduced
House bill No. 520, entitled

A bill to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the protection of fish and the preservation of the fisheries of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 521, entitled

A bill to define the rights of holders of title to real estate in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 522, entitled

A bill relative to justices of the peace in and for the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 523, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act providing for the draining of swamps, etc."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 524, entitled

A bill to amend sections 997, 1006, of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Berk, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 525, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Article IV., of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Churchill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 526, entitled

A bill to aid in the construction of the Alpena, Au Sable and Bay City Railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 527, entitled

A bill to amend sections 25 and 26 of chapter 244, being sections 7534 and 7535 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against the lives and persons of individuals.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Huggett, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 528, entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of "An act to authorize the business of banking," approved Feb. 16, 1857, being section 2207 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Hunt, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 529, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called 'The Superior Court of Detroit,'" approved March 28, 1873, so as to enlarge the jurisdiction of said court.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Walton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of Bay City to cause a new assessment to be made upon the property originally chargeable with the expense of constructing the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to levy and collect the tax therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Walton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 531, entitled

A bill for the formation of the Bay City, Wenona, and Banks Street Railway Company, and presenting its powers and duties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Huggett, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 532, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the laws regulating the general elections and the registration of voters.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Huggett, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 533, entitled

A bill to repeal section 13 of an act to amend chapter 94 of the Revised Statutes, in relation to criminal proceedings, being section 5565 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to appeals in criminal cases from justices' courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Ransom, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 534, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of chapter 84 of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled "Of Divorce," being section 4738 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Bartow, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 535, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the township board and other officers of the township of Watertown in raising money by taxation for the erection of a town hall and to authorize the collection of any portion of said tax remaining unpaid.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Churchill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 536, entitled

A bill to amend section eleven of an act entitled "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors and improve the same," approved March 13, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Churchill, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 537, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of control of State swamp lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the city of Alpena to a point in the Jackson, Lansing & Saginaw Railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands and railroads.

Mr. Hale, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 538, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16, 22, 23, 28, 29, and 30 of chapter 171 of the revised statutes of 1846, being sections 8033, 8039, 8040, 8045, 8046, and 8047 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 relative to county jails.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Wood, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 539, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 230 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Rich, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 540, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of chapter 12, being sections 648 and 649 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and also to add eight new sections to chapter 136 of Compiled Laws of 1871, to stand as sections 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92 and 93 of said chapter, relative to school inspectors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Ferguson, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 541, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," the same being act No. 169, laws of 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Huggett, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of an act to authorize and encourage the formation of corporations to establish rural cemeteries and provide for the care and maintenance thereof, approved February 19, 1869, being sections 3420 and 3421 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

Mr. Remer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 543, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2137 and 2141 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Remer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

House bill No. 544, entitled

A bill to provide for a tax and to regulate the traffic in spirituous and malt liquors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The House took a recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Churchill asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Kilbourne asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for to-morrow.

Mr. Hunt asked and obtained leave of absence for the special committee on the Detroit Savings Fund Institute until Monday night.

The House resumed the order of

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

Mr. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 545, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to enable the Lapeer and Port Huron Plank Road Company to charge and receive additional tolls for travel over their road, being act No. 401 of the session laws of 1869.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on private corporations.

Mr. Moshier, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 546, entitled

A bill to authorize the printing and distribution of the laws relative to drainage.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 547, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of East Saginaw to adjust and pay certain claims against said city.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Eggleston, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 548, entitled

A bill to amend Sec. 2090 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being Sec. 2 of an act to amend an act entitled an "An act to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Daly, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 549, entitled

A bill to detach certain portions of territory from the townships of Hamtramck, Springwells, and Greenfield, and to annex the same to the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Morse, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 550, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of LaFayette, in Gratiot county, to issue orders in payment for the construction of that portion of the Wheeler and LaFayette ditch as lies in the township of LaFayette.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 551, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to plank roads," approved March 13, 1848, and the acts amendatory thereto, by adding a new section.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on private corporations and roads and bridges jointly.

Mr. E. H. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 552, entitled

A bill to legalize a certain ditch connecting Evan's creek with Mill creek, in town 32 north, range 9 west, in Antrim county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on drainage.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 553, entitled

A bill appropriating State swamp lands to complete the Newaygo and Pentwater State road, in township 16 north, of range 16 west, in the county of Oceana.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands and roads and bridges.

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

Mr. Hunt, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 554, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 169 of the revised statutes of 1846, being chapter 228 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the limitation of actions.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

Mr. Wilson, previous notice having been given and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 555, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 296 of the session laws of 1869, being an act to amend an act to incorporate the village of New Baltimore.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Parker, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House bill No. 556, entitled

A bill granting the right of way across the State land in the city of Flint used by the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind Institute for a highway.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Hollon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 29, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Article IV. of the Constitution of this State, by striking therefrom section 47 of said article.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Ferguson, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 30, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to grant relief to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, and the wives and orphans of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late war for suppressing the rebellion.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. West, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 31, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to William Lavarneway, upon primary school lands certificate No. five thousand sixty-four (5064).

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. C. Brown, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 32, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for an amendment to the Constitution relative to the time of the annual township elections.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Craig, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 33, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to admit gilling twine free of duty.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 34, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article VII. of the constitution in relation to the qualification of electors.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Smith, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 35, entitled

Joint resolution in reference to the Jackson county agricultural society.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. I. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

House joint resolution No. 36, entitled

Joint resolution relative to an immigration agency for this State, in Russia.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on immigration.

The Speaker resumed the chair.

By unanimous consent, the House took up the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 24, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by inserting in line 20 of section 19, after the word "freeholders," the following: "of said county residing outside ;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a

majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Howland moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Stephens,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Benedict,	Harden,	Morse,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hart,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Potter,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	Walton,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ransom,	West,
Curry,	Hunt,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Keyes,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Garfield,	Little,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Schattler,	Yeckley,
Goodyear,	Ludington,	Smith,	Speaker, 80

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, February 25, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wilkins.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Hollon, by unanimous consent, moved that the committee on municipal corporations be discharged from the further consideration of

House bill No. 547, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of East Saginaw to adjust and pay certain claims against said city,

And that the same be referred to the committee on judiciary ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. West, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to George S. Hoppin upon appraised University land certificate numbered 338;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. West,

The rules were suspended, and the joint resolution was put upon its immediate passage.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Smith,
Benedict,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Billings,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hunt,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Curry,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Knight,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Rich,	Yeckley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,			

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. West,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until next Thursday.

Mr. Taylor rose to a question of privilege in behalf of Hon. Cady Neff, from the fifth district of Wayne, as follows:

WHEREAS, In the report of the proceedings of this House, as published in the *Detroit Post* of the 24th inst, there appears a statement concerning a member of this House, in the following words:

Correspondence of the Detroit Post.

LANSING, February 23, 1875.

The rush of bills to-day has been as great as if the future of the universe depended upon securing a sufficiency of legislation from this honorable body. Nearly every member has introduced two or three, and some have introduced four or five at a time. Even Cady Neff, who is generally as mute as an oyster, and fully as intelligent, managed to introduce two bills, though Slocum had to come out and show him how to do it.

AND WHEREAS, Such statement is one furnished by William J. Stocking, the reporter of said newspaper, who has been allowed the privilege of the floor of this House ;

AND WHEREAS, Such statement is grossly disrespectful, and is a breach of the privileges of this House ; therefore

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be and is hereby instructed to bring the said reporter of the said newspaper to the bar of this House to show cause, if any exist, why he should not be expelled from the floor of this House for the breach of its privileges as aforesaid.

Mr. Watkins moved to lay the resolution upon the table.

Mr. Potter demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay upon the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Towne,
Berk,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Townsend,
Billings,	Houston,	Preston,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Ranney,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Reed,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Lee,	Remer,	West,
Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Rich,	A. R. Wheeler,
Garfield,	McLachlin,	Robbins,	Wilson,
I. Green,	Morse,	Sweetland,	Speaker,
Hale,			

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Klein,	Smith,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Knight,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Little,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harris,	Mercer,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Wiley,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	Wood,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Robinson,	

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Mr. Moshier moved to amend by making the resolution read : " show cause

why he should not be publicly censured by this House," instead of: "show cause why he should not be expelled from the floor of this House ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution,

After lengthy discussion,

Mr. Bartow demanded the previous question, and upon the main question demanded the yeas and nays ;

Both of which demands were seconded.

The question being shall the main question be now put,

The motion for the same prevailed.

The resolution was then adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Little,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Harden,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Churchill,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Whitney,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Schattler,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Berk,	Hart,	Morse,	Townsend,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Parker,	Walker,
Copley,	Howard,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Howland,	Ranney,	West,
Dow,	Huggett,	Reed,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Remer,	Yeckley,
Garfield,	Lee,	Rich,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	

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The preamble was agreed to.

Mr. Little moved to postpone indefinitely, further action under the resolution ;

Which motion prevailed.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 546. By Mr. Hewitt: Remonstrance of John L. Frisbie against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law.

Mr. Hewitt moved that the remonstrance be spread at large on the journal ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The remonstrance was then referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 547. By Mr. Morse: Petition of J. J. Robins and 33 other citizens of Hubbardston, asking for legislation to make the prohibitory liquor law more effectual ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 548. By Mr. Morse: Petition of David Dorr and 41 others, asking the Legislature to change the resolution asking Congress to give each Union soldier 160 acres to a donation of \$200 in United States legal tender notes of a new issue, redeemable in coin, one-third in 20 years, one-third in 25 years, and the remainder in 30 years;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 549. By Mr. Knight: Petition of A. Jones, Chauncey Bonfrey, Alonzo Stevens, C. L. Rix, and 47 others, members of Eureka Grange No. 11 and citizens, tax-payers of Texas, Kalamazoo county, Mich., asking the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 550. By Mr. Robinson: Petition of H. C. Faxon and 32 other citizens of Branch county, asking that the tax law be so amended that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 551. By Mr. Struble: Petition of Henry Bloodgood, Richard Cornell, and 29 others, praying that there be no more territory added to the present limits of the village of Cassopolis;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 552. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of Franklin Barber, Milo H. Smith, and 401 others, asking the passage of a bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 553. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of James R. Odell, Sheldon Curtice, Winfield Scott, and 84 others of Fremont Center, Newaygo county, asking the Legislature to pass resolutions in favor of giving to Union soldiers \$200 in money in lieu of 160 acres of land;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 554. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of W. Millman of Scott's Station and 52 others in favor of the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 555. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of E. Gaynor and 88 other citizens of Delta county, to promote the construction of a railroad through the Menominee iron range;

Referred to the committee on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 556. By Mr. Walton: Petition of James Shearer and 50 others, asking the passage of a law to construct a State road from Bay and Midland counties, into the unorganized county of Gladwin, and to make an appropriation of non-resident highway taxes to construct the same;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 557. By Mr. Walton: Petition of D. G. Arnold and 414 other citizens of Wenona, against the amendments legalizing the action of the supervisors of Bay county, with regard to the Bay City Bridge Co.;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 558. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of L. G. Bates and 43 other citizens of Clinton county, asking the passage of a bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 559. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of John T. Heath and 34 other citi-

zens of Portsmouth, Bay county, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in enforcing the same ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 560. By Mr. Hart: Remonstrance of F. P. Richardson and 40 others, against detaching any territory from township of Higgins, in Roscommon county, and attaching the same to the township of Gladwin ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 561. By Mr. Ocobock: Petition of citizens of Wyandotte for an amendment to their city charter.

On demand of Mr. Ocobock,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Hon. Legislature of the State of Michigan ;

We, the undersigned, members of the common council of the city of Wyandotte, petition your honorable body, and ask the passage of the bill to amend the charter of said city, the same having been fully approved by the city council ; and your petitioners will ever pray.

T. J. LANGLOIS, Mayor.

ALD. S. D. HINDS.

ALD. PATRICK FURY.

ALD. O. SANBORN.

ALD. JAS. KEUSCH.

ALD. M. GANLEY.

ALD. F. STEILER.

The petition was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to authorize the Boards of Supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to cause the boundary lines between the said counties to be surveyed,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties :

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Ogemaw, and to establish the county seat thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

The bill was laid on the table.
By the committee on towns and counties:
The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred
House bill No. 229, entitled
A bill to organize the county of Gladwin,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and
have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommenda-
tion, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.
S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*
Report accepted and committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. Hollon,
The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and
placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 24, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*
SIR—In response to a resolution of the House, adopted on the 17th inst., I
have the honor to submit the enclosed statement:
Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The following is the statement:

VALUATION of and tax apportioned to the Counties of Chippewa, Delta, Houghton, Keweenaw, Mackinaw, Marquette, Menominee, Ontonagon, and Schoolcraft, for each year since the organization thereof.

CHIPPEWA COUNTY.							
YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1826	Laid out	and organiz ed.		1855	-----	-----	\$66 47
1830	625	-----	-----	1856	-----	a \$100,000 00	47 23
1831	-----	-----	-----	1857	-----	-----	61 80
1834	528	-----	-----	1858	-----	-----	61 80
1836	-----	-----	-----	1859	-----	-----	147 25
1837	-----	-----	-----	1860	1,544	-----	112 35
1838	-----	a \$28,860 00	\$57 72	1861	-----	a 100,000 00	269 78
1839	-----	-----	-----	1862	-----	-----	280 82
1840	534	a 47,220 00	94 44	1863	-----	-----	255 78
1841	-----	a 74,584 50	223 75	1864	1,158	-----	273 17
1842	-----	a 51,877 00	103 75	1865	-----	-----	373 41
1843	-----	a 28,725 00	57 45	1866	-----	a 168,455 00	318 81
1844	-----	a 28,725 00	57 45	1867	-----	-----	481 76
1845	-----	a 31,810 00	79 53	1868	-----	-----	390 41
1846	-----	a 37,610 00	219 02	1869	-----	a 214,451 00	254 56
1847	-----	115,555 55	288 89	1870	1,690	a 220,838 00	216 27
1848	-----	a 66,165 00	483 19	1871	-----	a 450,000 00	540 63
1849	-----	a 92,815 00	298 20	1872	-----	-----	592 74
1850	898	a 70,194 00	304 49	1873	-----	-----	701 59
1851	-----	a 105,291 00	360 80	1874	2,170	-----	645 32
1852	-----	-----	373 89				
1853	-----	a 200,000 00	16 62				
1854	1,962	-----	49 86		Total...	-----	\$9,159 99

a Assessed valuation. | a As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

DELTA COUNTY.

YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1843	Laid out	and attach'd to	Mackinac.	1861	Organized.	e \$150,000 00	\$404 67
1844	-----	-----	-----	1862	-----	-----	421 24
1845	-----	-----	-----	1863	-----	-----	383 60
1846	-----	-----	-----	1864	561	-----	409 74
1847	-----	-----	-----	1865	-----	-----	560 11
1848	-----	-----	-----	1866	-----	e 256,650 00	484 96
1849	-----	-----	-----	1867	-----	-----	733 97
1850	-----	-----	-----	1868	-----	-----	594 81
1851	-----	-----	-----	1869	-----	a 861,964 00	887 75
1852	-----	-----	-----	1870	2,441	a 815,000 00	829 41
1853	-----	-----	-----	1871	-----	e 450,000 00	540 68
1854	-----	-----	-----	1872	-----	-----	592 76
1855	-----	-----	-----	1873	-----	a 687,822 71	701 59
1856	-----	-----	-----	1874	4,571	-----	645 32
1857	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1858	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1859	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1860	1,172	-----	-----	-----	Total...	-----	\$7,190 61

a Assessed valuation.

e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

HOUGHTON COUNTY.

Y.R.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.	Y.R.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1843	Laid out.	-----	-----	1862	-----	-----	\$2,809 44
1844	-----	-----	-----	1863	-----	-----	2,558 41
1845	-----	-----	-----	1864	8,225	-----	2,732 85
1846	Organized.	-----	-----	1865	-----	-----	3,735 67
1847	-----	-----	-----	1866	-----	e \$3,242,523 32	6,126 97
1848	Organized.	-----	-----	1867	-----	-----	9,273 20
1849	-----	-----	-----	1868	-----	-----	7,514 93
1850	798	-----	-----	1869	-----	a 2,166,646 80	4,898 70
1851	-----	-----	-----	1870	13,882	a 1,865,648 00	4,161 68
1852	-----	-----	-----	1871	-----	e 2,100,000 00	2,523 50
1853	-----	-----	-----	1872	-----	-----	2,766 66
1854	2,873	-----	-----	1873	-----	{ h 3,083,807 45 }	3,274 10
1855	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	{ i 1,409,078 00 }	-----
1856	-----	e \$800,000 00	\$141 65	1874	19,030	{ h 3,401,419 42 }	3,011 45
1857	-----	-----	185 87	-----	-----	{ i 1,790,823 00 }	-----
1858	-----	-----	185 87	-----	-----	-----	-----
1859	-----	-----	441 65	-----	-----	-----	-----
1860	9,253	-----	387 05	-----	-----	-----	-----
1861	-----	e 1,000,480 00	2,698 93	-----	Total..	-----	\$59,377 58

a Assessed valuation.
e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.
h As equalized by Board of Supervisors, upon which county taxes were apportioned.

i As equalized by Board of Supervisors, upon which State taxes were apportioned.

KEWEENAW COUNTY.

Y'r.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.	Y'r.	Popu'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1861	{ Laid out { and org'd. }	a \$771,082 02	\$2,080 06	1870	4,206	a \$1,122,915 69	\$8,224 36
1862		.....	2,165 24	1871	.....	a 1,570,000 00	1,886 54
1863	.....	.....	1,971 77	1872	.....	.....	2,068 32
1864	5,180	.....	2,106 21	1873	.....	.....	2,447 78
1865	.....	.....	2,879 08	1874	5,415	.....	2,251 41
1866	.....	a 2,512,173 82	4,746 93	.....	.....	.....	.....
1867	.....	.....	7,184 47	.....	.....	.....	.....
1868	.....	.....	5,822 28	.....	.....	.....	.....
1869	.....	a 1,122,915 69	8,795 81	.....	Total.	.....	\$44,629 70

a Assessed valuation. | a As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

MACKINAC COUNTY.

YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Population.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1810	615	.....	.....	1853	.....	a \$169,902 25	\$14 12
1818	Laid out	and organized.	.....	1854	1,645	.....	42 36
1820	819	.....	.....	1855	.....	.....	56 47
1821	.....	.....	.....	1856	.....	a 147,884 00	69 59
1822	.....	.....	.....	1857	.....	.....	91 07
1826	.....	.....	.....	1858	.....	.....	91 07
1830	877	.....	.....	1859	.....	.....	216 97
1833	.....	.....	.....	1860	1,939	.....	165 58
1834	899	.....	.....	1861	.....	a 147,785 00	398 69
1836	.....	.....	.....	1862	.....	.....	415 02
1838	.....	a \$143,285 00	\$286 57	1863	.....	.....	877 98
1839	.....	a 146,180 00	292 26	1864	1,335	.....	403 70
1840	928	a 152,635 00	305 27	1865	.....	.....	551 84
1841	.....	a 126,034 00	378 10	1866	.....	a 373,625 00	705 99
1842	.....	a 119,963 00	239 93	1867	.....	.....	1,068 51
1843	.....	a 124,952 50	249 90	1868	.....	.....	865 91
1844	.....	a 135,125 00	270 25	1869	.....	a 387,098 75	564 45
1845	.....	a 156,397 75	391 00	1870	1,715	a 410,934 75	479 53
1846	.....	a 161,389 00	403 47	1871	.....	a 450,000 00	540 68
1847	.....	a 156,774 00	391 93	1872	.....	.....	592 76
1848	.....	a 156,774 00	323 07	1873	.....	.....	701 59
1849	.....	a 170,279 60	582 47	1874	1,496	.....	645 32
1850	8,597	a 170,279 60	662 39	.....	.....	.....	.....
1851	.....	a 127,709 70	437 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
1852	.....	.....	453 51	.....	Total.	.....	\$15,226 27

a Assessed valuation. | a As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

MARQUETTE COUNTY.

YEAR.	Pop'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Pop'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1843	Laid out.			1861		e \$1,000,000 00	\$3,113 23
1844				1862			3,240 71
1845				1863			2,557 32
1846	Attached to Houghton.			1864	8,760		2,731 68
1847				1865			3,734 07
1848	Organized.			1866		e 2,247,405 00	4,246 63
1849				1867			6,427 26
1850	152			1868			5,208 63
1851	Organized.			1869		a 2,698,522 00	3,895 81
1852				1870	14,278	a 3,175,065 00	2,884 48
1853				1871		e 3,990,000 00	4,794 53
1854				1872			5,256 55
1855				1873		m 3,919,000 00	6,220 80
1856		e \$325,000 00	\$153 45	1874	21,946	{ n 4,632,140 00 } { e 1,493,100 00 }	5,721 76
1857			200 82				
1858			200 82				
1859			478 45				
1860	2,821		865 18		Total.		\$60,931 63

a Assessed valuation.
e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.
m As equalized by Board of Supervisors.
n As equalized by Board of Supervisors, upon which county taxes were apportioned.
o As equalized by Board of Supervisors, upon which State taxes are apportioned.

MENOMINEE COUNTY.

YEAR.	Popul't'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Popul't'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1861		e \$154,000 00		1870	1,895	a \$589,474 89	\$565 06
1862				1871		e 1,570,000 00	1,886 53
1863	Organized.		\$393 83	1872			2,068 31
1864	496		420 63	1873		f 1,140,113 65	2,447 78
1865			575 05	1874	3,490	f 1,405,801 44	2,251 41
1866		e 440,260 00	831 90				
1867			1,259 09				
1868			1,020 36				
1869		a 541,650 03	665 13		Total.		\$14,385 12

a Assessed valuation.
e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.
f As equalized by Board of Supervisors.

ONTONAGON COUNTY.

YEAR.	Popul't'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Popul't'n	Valuation.	State Tax.
1843	Laid out	-----	-----	1861	-----	e \$653,323 00	\$1,762 51
1844	-----	-----	-----	1862	-----	-----	1,834 68
1845	-----	-----	-----	1863	-----	-----	1,670 75
1846	Attach'd to Houghton.	-----	-----	1864	5,406	-----	1,784 66
1847	Organiz ed.	-----	-----	1865	-----	-----	2,439 55
1848	Organiz ed.	-----	-----	1866	-----	e 1,421,385 00	2,685 81
1849	-----	-----	-----	1867	-----	-----	4,064 96
1850	889	-----	-----	1868	-----	-----	3,294 22
1851	-----	-----	-----	1869	-----	a 1,035,121 00	2,147 39
1852	-----	-----	-----	1870	2,846	a 971,803 00	1,824 31
1853	Organiz ation legalized.	-----	-----	1871	-----	e 1,310,000 00	1,573 74
1854	8,662	-----	-----	1872	-----	-----	1,725 33
1855	-----	-----	-----	1873	-----	-----	2,042 42
1856	-----	e \$534,000 00	\$252 14	1874	2,406	f 695,000 00	1,878 57
1857	-----	-----	829 98			-----	-----
1858	-----	-----	829 98			-----	-----
1859	-----	-----	786 14			-----	-----
1860	4,575	-----	599 94		Total..	-----	\$33,027 06

e Assessed valuation.
e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

f As equalized by Board of Supervisors.

SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTY.

YEAR.	Popul't'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.	YEAR.	Popul't'n.	Valuation.	State Tax.
1843	Laid out	-----	-----	1861	-----	-----	-----
1844	-----	-----	-----	1862	-----	-----	-----
1845	-----	-----	-----	1863	-----	-----	-----
1846	Attach'd to Chippewa and Houghton.	-----	-----	1864	89	-----	-----
1847	-----	-----	-----	1865	-----	-----	-----
1848	Organiz ed.	-----	-----	1866	-----	-----	-----
1849	-----	-----	-----	1867	-----	-----	-----
1850	16	-----	-----	1868	-----	-----	-----
1851	Attach'd to Marquette.	-----	-----	1869	-----	-----	-----
1852	-----	-----	-----	1870	799	-----	-----
1853	-----	-----	-----	1871	Organ'd.	e \$529,000 00	\$624 85
1854	-----	-----	-----	1872	-----	-----	685 06
1855	-----	-----	-----	1873	-----	-----	810 73
1856	-----	-----	-----	1874	1,290	-----	745 69
1857	-----	-----	-----			-----	-----
1858	-----	-----	-----			-----	-----
1859	-----	-----	-----		Total..	-----	\$2,866 33
1860	78	-----	-----			-----	-----

e As equalized by State Board of Equalization.

The balances due to or from the several counties of the Upper Peninsula, after the settlement of October, 1874, under section 1072 C. L., were as follows :

	Due State.	Due Counties.
Chippewa.....	\$000 00	\$000 00
Delta.—Not settled.		
Houghton.....	16,005 36	
Keweenaw.....	-----	264 05
Mackinac.....	000 00	000 00
Marquette.....	363 23	
Menominee.....	976 56	
Ontonagon.....	9,350 89	
Schoolcraft.....	600 00	000 00
	<hr/> \$26.696 04	<hr/> \$264 05

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 24, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to respectfully request the House to return to the Senate

2. House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, 1834, and the acts amendatory thereto.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Potter moved that the Clerk be instructed to transmit a respectful message to the Governor, requesting the return of the bill to the House;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 24, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair, relating to the appointment of city marshal.

2. House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes within the township of Howell, county of Livingston.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled,

signed, and presented to the Governor, the following concurrent resolution and bills :

1. Concurrent resolution asking Congress that pensions be granted to soldiers and widows of deceased soldiers of the war of 1812, who have been honorably discharged after five days' service ;

2. House bill No. 300, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment and tax roll of the 1st ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for the year 1874 ;

3. House bill No. 244, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes, in the township of Cheshire, in the county of Allegan, for the year 1874.

O. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the State prison from to-day until Tuesday.

Mr. E. A. Brown asked and obtained leave of absence for himself indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Preston and himself for the day.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Towne asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Stephens asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to day until Monday.

Mr. Wilson asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Wednesday.

Mr. Moshier moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend by making the time 2 o'clock P. M. ;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Hollon moved to amend by making the time 2:15 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Morse moved to amend the amendment by making the time 2:29 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Hollon moved, as a substitute, to make the time 2:10 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Armstrong moved to lay the whole matter upon the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Harden moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Towne moved to amend by making the time 2½ o'clock P. M. ;

Which amendment was agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon, on account of sickness.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Mercer for the afternoon.

Mr. Bradfield asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hulbert for the afternoon.

Mr. Walker asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for part of the afternoon.

Mr. Van Raalte asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for to-morrow.

Mr. Struble asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until to-morrow noon.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 25, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

In accordance with the resolution of your honorable body I return herewith House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Joseph," approved March 7, 1834, etc.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The communication was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Potter,

The request of the Senate for the return of the bill was granted.

By unanimous consent the following report was made:

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Holland,' " being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April 2, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Morse, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved. That when the House adjourn to-morrow, it be until 8 o'clock P. M. of March 1st;

Which was adopted.

The House resumed the order of business.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 10 and 12 of chapter 268, Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 8135 and 8137, relative to the State Reform School,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Little,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Struble,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Harden,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Copley,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Craig,	Keyes,	Reed,	Yeckley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Speaker,
Dow,	Klein,	Rich,	68

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Walton,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Smith,	I. P. Wheeler,
Campbell,	Lee,	Stephens,	Whitney,
Harris,	Norton,	Sutton,	Wood,
Hart,	Ocobock,		18

Title agreed to.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Bartow in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Article VI. of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Decatur, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of Decatur,'" approved March 16, 1871, said act to revise the charter of the village of Decatur, approved April 25, 1873;

2. Senate bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to repeal section 413 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 6 of act No. 122 of the session laws of 1861, being an act entitled "An act to provide means for the redemption of the bonds of the State maturing January first, eighteen hundred and sixty-three," approved March 11, 1861;

3. Senate manuscript bill entitled

A bill authorizing and instructing the Governor of the State of Michigan to convey private land claims Nos. 68 and 76 to the United States, to be appropriated for the improvement of the St. Mary's Falls canal;

4. Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the use of the proceeds of the sale of educational lands in defraying the expenses of the State government;

5. Senate bill No. 17, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the Statutes of the United States, furnished to this State by act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

6. House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to regulate the construction of highway and railroad bridges;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on railroads.

MOSES BARTOW, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The five bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the sixth-named bill,

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House concurred, and the bill was recommitted to the committee on railroads.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Governor be and is hereby requested to return to the House of Representatives,

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto;

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 386, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes of the county of Wayne for the year 1874;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an "Act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,'" approved February 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

The rule requiring a second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lay,	Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howard,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Haggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Copley,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wilson,
Craig,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wood,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Yeckley,
Dow,	Klein,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Eggleston,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 351, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Howell, in the county of Livingston.

1. House bill No. 386, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the county of Wayne for the year 1874.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, February 26, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss A. Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Mr. Lee.

Mr. Armstrong asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Whitney asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself after to-day until next Friday.

Mr. Bradfield asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Norton for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Hubbard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Goodyear asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Yeckley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until next Wednesday.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House yesterday passed the resolution that when the House adjourn to-day it be until 8 o'clock P. M. next Monday.

Mr. Goodyear moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Hollon demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay on the table prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,
Benjamin,
Berk,
C. Brown,

Mr. I. Green,
Greiner,
Hertzler,
Hewitt,

Mr. Mercer,
Meyer,
Neff,
Ocobock,

Mr. Schattler,
Smith,
Stowe,
Sutton,

Mr. Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, Cole, Craig, Ferguson, Goodyear,	Mr. Howard, Hubbard, Huggett, Klein, Lay, Ludington, McLachlin,	Mr. Packard, Potter, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich,	Mr. Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Walker, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Yeckley, 44
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Mr. Bailey, Benedict, Bradfield, Briggs, Churchill, F. O. Clark, Copley,	Mr. Curry, Dow, Garfield, Gerrish, Hale, Harris, Hollon,	Mr. Houston, Hulbert, Keyes, Kilbourne, Moshier, Northrop, Parker,	Mr. Preston, Robbins, Robinson, Van Aken, West, Wood, Speaker, 28
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PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 562. By Mr. Remer: Petition of R. R. McNiff, E. H. Hart, and 15 others, in favor of the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 563. By Mr. Berk: Petition of Clarence Egerton, D. C. Walker, Wm. Huggett and 19 others, asking for a law to incorporate the societies of Patrons of Husbandry.

On demand of Mr. Berk,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, would respectfully pray your honorable body that you will pass an act for the incorporation of Granges of the Patrons of Husbandry, by which the State Grange and subordinate Granges of the Patrons of Husbandry may be incorporated in a similar manner to that provided in chapter 119 of the Compiled Laws of the State of Michigan for the incorporation of grand and subordinate lodges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, with like powers of holding real and personal estate, and of suing and being sued ;

The petition was referred to the committee on agriculture.

No. 564. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of J. S. Walling and 41 others, asking for an amendment to the primary school laws authorizing school boards to purchase school house appurtenances ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 565. By Mr. Stowe: Petition of W. J. Mills, F. G. Hickey, and 45 others, asking for the establishment of a separate and independent board of censors for the homeopathic school of medicine and praying that in any bill which may come before this Legislature care be taken that all graduates of medical colleges and all who have practiced 10 years shall be exempt from examination by any board of censors ;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 566. By Mr. Robinson: Petition of R. F. Barker and 38 others of Branch county to amend the tax laws of our State so that mortgages shall be exempt from direct assessment ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 567. By Mr. Walton: Remonstrance of Barnard Lansing and 100 other citizens of Bay county, against legalizing the action of the board of supervisors;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 568. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of O. W. Knox and 23 other citizens of the village of Hart, Osceola county, asking the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 569. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of D. N. Rogers, I. C. Williams and 79 others, residents of Ingham county, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, and asking for additional legislation to aid in enforcing the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 570. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of T. L. Chadbourne and other tax payers of the town of Portage, Houghton county, praying for the vacating of the town of Union, and attaching the same to the town of Portage, Houghton county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 571. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of tax payers of the town of Hancock, asking for the vacating of the township of Quincy, and attaching the territory thereof to the town of Hancock;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Goodyear, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

WHEREAS, The well which supplies the House with water has failed, and a supply cannot be obtained except by bringing it from a distance, therefore,

Resolved, That the State Board of Auditors are requested to take measures to deepen said well immediately;

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, in accordance with section 15, Article IV. of the constitution,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means to whom was referred

House bill No. 375, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Ann Arbor to levy and collect taxes for a specific purpose,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 449, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Bay county, and Bay City, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of land situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 417, entitled

A bill to exempt the property of women from taxation,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to provide a salary for county officers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment of bills report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bill:

House bill No. 222, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of St. Clair, relating to the appointment of city marshal.

G. G. B. YEOKLEY, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on local taxation:

The committee on local taxation, to whom was referred

House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment rolls, tax lists, and official returns of the township of Cleon, in Wexford county, for the years 1873 and 1874,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. D. LAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 239, being section 7442 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the fees of witnesses in civil cases in courts of record,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. Parker,
The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.
The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on insurance:
The committee on insurance, to whom was referred
House bill No. 432, entitled
A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations, approved April 3, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on University and Normal School:
The committee on University and Normal School being one of the committees instructed to ascertain the amount paid for insurance on the several State buildings for the last ten years, would respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to present the accompanying statements of real estate and other property of the University, the estimate value thereof, and statement of money paid for premiums on account of insurance on the University buildings for and during five years, from 30th June, 1870, to June 30, 1874, inclusive, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

The following is the statement:
Statement of money paid for premiums, on account of insurance, for and during five years, from 30th June, 1870, to June 30, 1874, inclusive:

Amount paid for premiums, fiscal year ending June 30, 1870	\$1,370 30
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Total amount paid in five years	\$8,403 98
Add amount to be paid previous to June 30, 1875	2,146 00
Total amount paid for six years ending June 30, 1875	\$10,549 98

STATEMENT of Real Estate and other property of the University, and the estimated value thereof.

Forty acres of land	\$30,000 00
University hall	105,000 00
North and south college buildings, each \$20,000	40,000 00
Law college building	25,000 00
Medical college building	35,000 00
Chemical laboratory building	18,500 00
Astronomical observatory building	20,000 00
Three dwelling houses, each \$8,000	24,000 00
One dwelling house	10,000 00
Total	<u>\$307,500 00</u>

Personal Property.

General library	\$44,000 00
Law library	8,000 00
Observatory apparatus	20,000 00
Chemical laboratory apparatus	20,000 00
Department of Physics	2,500 00
Department of Engineering	2,500 00
Fine art collection	15,000 00
Mineralogical collection	10,000 00
Zoological collection	5,000 00
Botanical collection	2,000 00
Anatomical collection	10,000 00
Miscellaneous collection, Museum	3,000 00
Geological collection	8,000 00
	<u>\$150,000 00</u>

Aggregate real and personal	<u>\$457,500 00</u>
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STATEMENT of the amount of Insurance covering the above property of the University at the present time.

Law building, including general and law libraries	\$40,000 00
Medical building, including contents	30,000 00
University hall, including contents	36,000 00
North college building, including contents	21,300 00
South college building, including contents	13,000 00
Observatory building, including contents	22,000 00
Chemical laboratory building, including contents	12,000 00
Four dwelling houses	19,700 00
Total	<u>\$194,000 00</u>

Report accepted and committee discharged.
By the committee on education :
The committee on education, to whom was referred
House bill No. 89, entitled
A bill relative to union school district No. 1 of the city of Jackson,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and
have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee, and attach the same to the county of Wexford,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. P. ROBINSON, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee to whom was assigned the duty of presenting to President T. C. Abbot the invitation requesting him to address the House on the subject of Agricultural Education, would respectfully report that they have discharged the duty assigned them, and that Thursday evening, March 4th, is designated, subject to the approval of the House, as an appropriate time for the delivery of the address.

SAMUEL S. WALKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 25, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State the following acts :

1. An act to authorize the township of James to purchase of the "Swan Creek & Saginaw Bridge Company" its bridge across the Tittabawassee river, and to hold the same as a "toll bridge;"

2. An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of St. Johns," and to add two new sections thereto ;

3. An act to organize the township of Michigamme, in Marquette county ;

4. An act for the protection of inn and hotel-keepers ;

5. An act to legalize the tax-roll of the city of Detroit, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein ;

6. An act to provide for the incorporation of tribes and councils of the Improved Order of Red Men, and to repeal Chapter 122 of the Compiled Laws, being an act to provide for the incorporation of societies of Pocahontas Tribes of Improved Order of Red Men ;

Also,

7. Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation in money for the improvement of the harbor at Holland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan ;

8. Joint resolution asking Congress for an appropriation to construct a light-house and fog bells on the west bar of Mackinaw Island, in the county of Mackinaw and State of Michigan.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following acts :

1. An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the county of Wayne, for the year 1874 ;

2. An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Howell, in the county of Livingston ;

3. An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Cheshire, in the county of Allegan ;

4. An act to legalize the assessment and tax roll of the first ward of the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, for 1874.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

In accordance with the request of the House, I return herewith

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the village of Midland City, approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following :
House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to George S. Hoppin upon appraised university land certificate No. 338 ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to repeal section 413 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 6 of Act No. 122 of the session laws of 1861, being an act entitled "An act to provide means for the redemption of the bonds of the State maturing January 1st, 1863," approved March 11, 1861,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Rich,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Schattler,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Smith,
Briggs,	Harris,	Meyer,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Sweetland,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Packard,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Parker,	Walker,
Cole,	Huggett,	Preston,	Walton,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,		70

NAYS.

Mr. Potter,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the use of the proceeds of the sale of educational lands in defraying the expenses of the State government;

Pending the third reading of the same,

On motion of Mr. Walker,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 125, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of Article VI. of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Decatur, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the village of Decatur,'" approved March 16, 1871, said act to revise the charter of the village of Decatur approved April 25, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Berk, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, I. Green, Greiner, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Howard, Hulbert, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Lay,	Mr. Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrup, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed,	Mr. Remer, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Van Aken, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Huggett,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

Senate bill No. 17, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the Statutes of the United States, furnished to this State by act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Benjamin, Berk, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, Greiner, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Klein, Lay,	Mr. Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer,	Mr. Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Walker, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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NAYS.

Mr. Potter,

Mr. West,

Mr. Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript bill entitled

A bill authorizing and instructing the Governor of the State of Michigan to convey private land claims Nos. 68 and 76 to the United States, to be appropriated for the improvement of the St. Mary's Falls canal,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Remer,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Rich,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Robinson,
Berk,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Shattler,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Smith,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Houston,	Packard,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Parker,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Preston,	West,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Speaker,
Ferguson,			69

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Walker in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bill :

1. House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices,

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

SAMUEL S. WALKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on granting the committee of the whole leave to sit again,

Such leave was granted.

Mr. Robbins, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

WHEREAS, There exists a diversity of opinion throughout the State in regard to the merits and demerits of the Agricultural College as a separate and distinct institution of education ;

AND WHEREAS, Munificent donations of public land have been granted, and large sums of money have, from time to time, been appropriated to build up and sustain said college;

AND WHEREAS, Other large sums of money are asked for, which, in the opinion of many, considering the depressed condition of the country, it would be injudicious and unwise to grant; therefore,

Resolved, That the Secretary of the State Board of Agriculture and President of said college be and hereby are requested to furnish the members of this House information on the the following points:

First, The number of acres of public lands received from the United States and from this State;

Second, The number of acres of such land sold, and the amount of money received from such sales;

Third, The amount of money received from the State and from all other sources since the organization of said college;

Fourth, The cash value of all real estate and personal property now under the control of said Board of Agriculture and the President of said college belonging to this State;

Fifth, The number of students who have graduated from said college in each year since the organization of said college, and the cost to the State of each student so graduating, together with the number (if known) who have devoted themselves to agriculture as a profession, together with such other information in regard to the present condition and future prospects of said college as they may deem proper to impart.

Mr. Hulbert, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be and he is hereby requested to furnish to this House a full and complete statement of all State moneys paid out for and on account of the Upper Peninsula, between the years 1838 and 1874, inclusive, specifying particularly the several items paid for salaries of State officers elected in or for the said Upper Peninsula, the amount paid for geological surveys, and the total paid by the State on account of public buildings, railroads, canals, and other improvements in said Upper Peninsula;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Ferguson moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Robbins moved to amend by making the time 2½ o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Van Aken asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from Monday evening until Tuesday evening.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday evening.

Mr. A. K. Clark asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday evening.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The Speaker was granted leave of absence for Monday evening, March 1.

Mr. Hollon, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 233, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Ogemaw, and to establish the county seat thereof;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Bailey, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table,

Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to provide for the use of the proceeds of the sale of educational lands in defraying the expenses of the State government ;

The bill being upon its final passage,

The same was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Curry,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Bailey,	Dow,	Little,	Remer,
Benedict,	Ferguson,	Ludington,	Rich,
Berk,	Garfield,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Robinson,
Briggs,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
Cole,	Keyes,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wood,
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	Speaker, 60

NAYS.

Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. Stowe,	Mr. Sutton,
I. Green,			5

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By unanimous consent, the following petition was received :

No. 572. By Mr. Little: Petition of James Baringer, Thos. Haynes, and 17 others, asking that Crawford county be divided north and south and attached to Otsego county and Roscommon county for judicial purposes.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

The House then resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Walker in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices ;

2. House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875 and 1876 ;

3. Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 6, being section 41 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to notice of election to fill vacancy.

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

4. House bill No. 163, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of cattle passages under highways ;

5. House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees ;

6. House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Grand Rapids, to be called "The Superior Court of Grand Rapids;"

7. House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to amend the act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Manistee," approved March 15th, 1869 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

SAMUEL S. WALKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being upon concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the four bills last named ;

The same were concurred in, and the bills were then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By unanimous consent, the following reports of committees were made :

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 185, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the village of Banks,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and

that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

House joint resolution No. 22, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to George S. Hoppin upon appraised University land certificate numbered 338.

HENRY HART, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the special committee on the charges made by the supervisors of Genesee county against the University:

The special committee to whom was referred

The petition of the supervisors of Genesee county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the following resolution:

Resolved, That the special committee are hereby empowered to proceed to Flint and Ann Arbor for the purpose of investigating the statement contained in the petition of the supervisors of Genesee county in reference to the reception of dead bodies at the University of Michigan;

Recommending its adoption.

W. H. P. BENJAMIN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

The same was not adopted.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The special committee was discharged from all further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, March 1, 1875. }
8 o'clock P. M. *}*

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Parsons.

Roll called: not a quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Daly, Dow, Ferguson, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Harden, Hertz-

ler, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Hunt, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Ludington, McLachlin, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Parker, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood.

On motion of Mr. Preston,
The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 2, 1875. }
10 o'clock A. M. }

House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: not a quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Armstrong, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Craig, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Harden, Hertzler, Hollon, Houston, Howland, Hugget, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Knight, Lay, Lee, Livingstone, Metcalf, Morse, Neff, Norton, Parker, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood.

Mr. Potter moved that the House adjourn.

Mr. Backus demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to adjourn did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.			
Mr. Curry, Greiner,	Mr. Harris, Ludington,	Mr. Packard, Potter,	Mr. Schattler,
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NAYS.			
Mr. Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Campbell, Churchill, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley,	Mr. Daly, Garfield, Gerrish, Hale, Hart, Hewitt, Hubbard, Hulbert,	Mr. Kilbourne, Klein, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Moshier, Northrop, Ocobock,	Mr. Preston, Ranney, Robbins, Robinson, Stephens, Van Aken, West, Speaker,
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The Speaker called the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Klein, to the chair.

Mr. West moved a call of the House;

Which motion did not prevail.

After some delay the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Klein, invited the Speaker *pro tem.*, who had but just arrived, to take the chair.

Mr. Northrop gave notice that quite a number of the absentees had arrived.

Thereupon, after some delay, the Speaker *pro tem.* directed the clerk to call the roll of the House, to ascertain if a quorum were present, and to note the absentees.

The Clerk called the roll, and reported a quorum in attendance.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Armstrong, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Churchill, Craig, Curry, Dow, Ferguson, Goodyear, Harden, Harris, Hertzler, Hollon, Houston, Huggett, Hunt, Lee, Livingstone, Morse, Norton, Parker, Potter, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Smith, Stowe, Sweetland, Van Raalte, and Whitney.

The Clerk announced that he was in receipt of telegrams from Messrs. Sweetland and Houston, asking leave of absence for the day on account of the trains being delayed by the storm.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hollon, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Benjamin until to-morrow.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Potter for the day.

Mr. Hart asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Lee, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Berk asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for to-morrow.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

The other absentees were granted leave of absence for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 573. By Mr. Lay: Petition of J. W. Watling, D. A. Post, E. P. Allan, S. M. Cutcheon, and 33 others, citizens of Ypsilanti, that means be provided for the establishment and maintenance of a dental school with the medical department of the University at Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 574. By Mr. Packard: Petition of Henry C. Hopkins, B. F. Luther, and 31 others, praying for the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 575. By Mr. Klein; Petition of Peter Dechon and 40 others, citizens of Detroit, relative to the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 576. By Mr. Klein: Petition of Hamilton E. Smith and others relative to insurance;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 577. By Mr. I. Green: Remonstrance of F. O. Hatfield and 30 others, against the repeal of the act creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 578. By Mr. I. Green: Remonstrance of Azail Thornton and 24 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 579. By Mr. I. Green: Remonstrance of Frank M. Stecker and 24 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 580. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of Wm. W. Robson and 35 others, citizens of Sanilac county, requesting the Legislature to change their resolution

“asking Congress to grant each soldier 160 acres of land,” and have the resolution read \$200 in money in lieu thereof;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 581. By Mr. West: Protest of the Women’s Christian Temperance Union of Michigan against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law;

On demand of West,

The protest was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The Woman’s Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan—in no sense a political organization, nor in league with any political party, but simply a union upon philanthropic, moral, and christian grounds for the combination of efforts to diminish, and if possible destroy, the curse of intemperance—would respectfully protest against the repeal of any existing laws which limit or prohibit the sale of or traffic in intoxicating drinks. Having themselves as women, no direct voice in legislation, they can do no more than make their earnest and solemn appeal to your honorable body, who do make our laws, and beseech you individually to give your highest wisdom and profoundest statesmanship to the suppression of this our nation’s curse. Humbly but persistently reminding you that before God as well as before men, you will be held responsible for the faithful administration of this trust.

The protest was referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 582. By Mr. Schattler: Petition of Gustavus Schuchard and 53 others, relative to the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 583. By Mr. Hubbard: Petition of S. W. Vanderwort, Isaac R. Swingley, and many others, praying that the prohibitory law may not be repealed, and no license, nor any act that can be construed as a license, be granted;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 584. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of Rev. I. R. A. Wrightman, Rev. A. A. Smith, and 140 others, of Hillsdale city, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be amended so as to make it more effective;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 585. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of Mrs. A. C. Rideout, Mrs. R. Woodworth, and 190 other women of Hillsdale city, protesting against the repeal of any existing laws which prohibit the sale or traffic in intoxicating drinks;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 586. By Mr. VanAken: Petition of G. W. Fisk, D. C. Morehouse, and 43 other citizens of the county of Branch, asking that the tax law be so amended that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 587. By Mr. VanAken; Petition of J. R. Dickey, Chas. T. Nichols, and 51 other citizens of the county of Branch, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 588. By Mr. Struble: Remonstrance of Edward Arnold and 54 other citizens of Decatur, against any amendment to their present village charter;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 589. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of D. A. Turner, J. B. Haish, and 31 others of Mecosta, to abolish the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 590. By Mr. Wood: Petition of John M. Root, Mrs. C. O. Reynolds and 1,238 others, against the repeal of the liquor law, and praying that the law may be so amended as to make it efficient;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 591. By Mr. Mercer: Petition of D. E. English, J. C. Ball, Edson English, and 16 others, of Boston, Ionia county, asking for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 592. By Mr. Mercer: Petition of S. C. Larey, J. P. Livermore, and 56 others of Ionia county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 593. By Mr. Northrop: Petition of John E. Long and 52 others, citizens of this State, in relation to the game law;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 594. By Mr. Kilbourne: Petition of Geo. H. Cole, Frank Wells, and 19 others, citizens of Lansing, praying for the establishment of a dental school in the University of Michigan;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 595. By Mr. Copley: Petition of James Swell, S. C. Harrington, J. W. Johnson, and 163 others of Van Buren county, asking the Legislature to change the resolution asking Congress to give Union soldiers a donation of land to one of money;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 596. By Mr. Copley: Memorial of Dr. G. W. Rogers of Decatur, asking for reform in the Reform School, etc.;

On demand of Mr. Copley,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

DECATUR, Mich., February 3, 1875.

To the Honorable Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Believing, as we do, that the Reform School, at Lansing, Mich., was designed in wisdom as a means by which wayward boys would be so educated practically, and so form habits, by the cultivation of mind and morals, and so learn the art, if art it may be called, of keeping their persons clean, neat, and tidy, that when sent out from said institution, as in time they must be, that they would become useful members of society; therefore, we ask you to examine into the truth of the following statement:

OCTOBER 2d, 1873.—Charles Casey, after having been an inmate of the Reform School over seven (7) years, with an unexpired term of three years sentence unserved, came to his mother's, in Decatur, Mich., on the early morning train; said he came from the Reform School the day before; his apparel was all on his person; no change, not even a shirt, and the one he had on tied with a string in front,—it would not come together around the neck by an inch or more; had on a pair of very coarse shoes, cotton coat, pants, and vest; vest much too small for him; very poorly clad for the coming winter.

His Manner and Appearance at First Meal.—He sat with one foot up on chair round, elbow on table, leaning over to one side, resting his head on his hand. When the butter was passed him he took his knife off his plate and helped himself to butter; his mother says, "Charley, why don't you take the butter-knife to get your butter?" He replied, "Don't know what a butter-knife is."

His practical knowledge of labor, by which to gain a livelihood, seemed only in matting chairs.

His Person.—He was so lousy and his hair so full of nits that his mother sent him to the barber and had his hair shingled close to his head.

His Habits.—He had learned both to smoke and chew tobacco, and as he had no money, he would steal his cigars and tobacco, to satisfy his vitiated taste.

A word about the tobacco habit in general : may we not fear that many boys will form the habit of using the filthy weed while there, as did Charlie, and go from there and do just as he did to satisfy their unnatural tastes. We learn from the report of the board of control that in 1873 the number of boys making cigars was fifty ; from the report of the same board, of 1874, the number had increased to fifty-six. We would refer to the report of the standing committee of April 12th, 1873, recommending, as far as practicable, that the making of cigars be substituted for that of seating chairs. We were not a little surprised at such a recommendation. Often has it been written, "A sound mind in a sound body," and is founded on the fact that perfect physiological integrity is absolutely essential to the highest condition of intellectual strength and vigor, and always the mental faculties are affected in their operations by narcotics and poisons that affect the brain, and are especially a hindrance to the full exercise of the reasoning and judging powers ; tobacco is a powerful narcotic and poison, and there is not a disease that flesh is heir to but is aggravated by its use.

Admit for a moment that when the habit becomes so strong and the organic instincts crave it with a never-to-be-satisfied craving, that its use is not injurious would not prove that tobacco is healthful, for be it known it is the same, and ever will remain the same in relation to vitality: anti-vital in all its action on the human organism. The change is in the man, not in the weed. A man may be known by the company he keeps. We conclude that virtue has her associates, so has vice: so we judge of a habit. Where then will we find the associate of the tobacco habit? Strong drink is too often its associate. Tobacco creates an appetite, and rum is taken to satisfy that unnatural appetite. Tobacco, the use of it is a violation of natural law, and a source of debility, imbecility, poverty, misery, disease, and premature death. How much greater are the evils of strong drink? Don't for a moment think, honored sirs, that we would advise a distillery side by side with cigar shop. No! No! Most emphatically, No! Are our children the dearest object of our solicitude? Then, in the name of heaven, we ask you to let your sympathies go out after those unfortunate boys, some of whom have no home, no father, no mother, their *alma mater* being none other than the State of Michigan. We ask not only your sympathies, but for the good of those homeless ones, we ask you, we pray you, and may heaven bless, that through you our petition may be granted. Wipe out at once, and forever, that blot from the Reform School, cigar-making, place no longer before the lad a temptation that will ruin, that when he goes to his home, or having no home, goes out into the world to battle with life's real work, that he may go without a loathsome, degrading habit, which will too often make a wreck of all that's left on which to build his hopes for a useful and honored manhood.

G. W. ROGERS.

The memorial was referred to the committee on the reform school.

No. 597. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of J. W. Hutchinson and 16 others, to encourage the construction of a railroad through the Menominee iron range ; Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 598. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of William Louville, William Harris, and 198 others of Menominee county, relative to the same subject ;
Referred to the committee on railroads.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 390, entitled

A bill to authorize the corporation of Bay City to assume and pay the indebtedness incurred in the construction of the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to provide for the payment thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 47, 58, 63, and 64 of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved Feb. 3, 1859, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof, and to add two new sections thereto, to stand as sections 83 and 84,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 494, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Lapeer,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 483, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52 and 53 of an act numbered 429, of the session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 73 of an act entitled 'An act to set off and incorporate a portion of the townships of Grand Haven and Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, into a city by the name of the city of Grand Haven,' approved March 16th, 1867, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 91,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to manufacture and sell illuminating gas,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Mackinaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 16, 22, 31, 34, 38, 39, and 56 of an act to incorporate the city of Hastings, approved March 11, 1871, as amended by act No. 228 of the session laws of 1873, approved April 2, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 337, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of act number 53 of the laws of 1859, being "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved February 3, 1859, and for the registration of the electors of the first and fifth wards of said city,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of Bay City to cause a new assessment to be made upon the property originally chargeable with the expense of constructing the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to levy and collect the tax therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on agriculture:

The committee on agriculture, to whom was referred

House bill No. 339, entitled
 A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges,
 Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and
 have directed me to report the same back to the House, with a substitute there-
 for, entitled
 A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges,
 And recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from
 the further consideration of the subject.

T. J. WEST, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
 On motion of Mr. West,
 The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the com-
 mittee.
 The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole,
 and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE DEPARTMENT MICHIGAN, }
 SECRETARY'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 27, 1875. }

HON. D. L. CROSSMAN, *Clerk of House of Representatives:*

Yours this date with resolution of the House of yesterday asking for more
 "well" received; and, *well*—yes—the "well" shall be *well* attended to.

I have secured the services of a "classic diggist" (unpoetic people call 'em
 "borers") and have instructed him to dig through to Pekin, unless at some
 half-way house this side of the *tea country* he is able to supply the Honorable
 House with *all* necessary and natural beverages.

The "well" was sick,—men said it shall be *well*,—
 The diggist came,—and sank it straight to—(Saginaw)!

Yours always,

E. G. D. HOLDEN,
Chairman State Board of Auditors.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 25, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 18, entitled

A bill relative to the organization and powers of stock fire and marine insur-
 ance companies transacting business within this State, and to repeal chapter
 45 and chapter 99 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and acts numbered 52 and
 149 of the session laws of 1873;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect,
 and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Article VI., of act number 245 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Allegan;"

2. Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 48, of chapter 18, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive section 875, relative to the militia;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first-named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The second-named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 8, 24, 40, 42, and 59, and subdivision 23 of section 31 of "An act to incorporate the village of Pierson," approved March 27th, 1873;

2. Senate bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the transportation of the State militia called out by the Governor to prevent breaches of the peace in Marquette and Montcalm counties in the year 1874;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first-named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The second-named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on ways and means and military affairs, jointly.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 37, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the institution for educating the deaf and dumb, and the blind, for the years 1875-'6 ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the asylum for the deaf and dumb, and the blind.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to legalize the election of the officers of certain school districts :

2. Senate bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and construction of a State prison in the Upper Peninsula,

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the State prison.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1461, 1462, 1465, 1476, 1480, 1496, and 1500, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections of the act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture, and provide for the inspection of salt;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take effect March 31, 1875, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on lumber and salt interests.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolutions:

1. Senate joint resolution No. 5, entitled
Joint resolution for the relief of Edward A. Durant ;
2. Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled
Joint resolution for publishing in pamphlet form all laws relating to the public health ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The second named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public health.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 80, entitled,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Marquette, being act No. two hundred and two of the Session Laws of 1871, approved February 27, 1871, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Marquette," being act number two hundred and two of the session laws of 1871, approved February 27, 1871," approved April 12, A. D. 1873 ;

2. Senate bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform inspection of lumber," approved March 25, 1871, and the act amendatory thereof, approved April 10, 1873 ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first-named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on lumber and salt interests.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill relative to the use of sleeping, parlor, and chair cars upon the railroads of this State;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR--I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Article II. of act No. 198 of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, Feb. 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Article IV. of act No. 198, of the session laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations, owning or operating any railroad in this State,"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on railroads.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to so amend an act entitled "An act to enable honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, to acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States;"

2. House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors, disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolutions were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15, of Article IV. of act number 198, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By inserting at the beginning of line 2 of section 1 the figure "1," so as to read "sections 1, 2, 4, 7," etc.

2. By striking out all of section 12, Article II. all after the word "go," in line 11, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "any railroad company doing business in this State shall by its printed rules or regulations require of its employes a careful observance of the provisions of this section, and in case of failure on the part of the company to require as above, they shall be liable to a penalty of \$100 for each offense."

3. By inserting after the word "gate," in line 2 of section 2, Article IV., the words "or gates;" also by inserting after the word "gate," where it again occurs in line five of same section, the words "or gates"

4. By inserting after "Article IV;" on page 2 of the bill the following amended section 1 of Article IV. of the act:

"SECTION 1. On and after the 31st day of October, 1873, no regular passenger train shall be run in this State without an air brake, or some equally effective device for checking the speed of the train, to be approved by the commissioner of railroads, which may be applied by the engineer to each passenger car com-

posing the train, and every railroad company, person, or corporation, owning or operating a railroad in this State, which shall permit any such train to be run on such road without such brake, shall forfeit for every train so run the sum of \$50, to recover which such company, person or corporation shall be liable in an action on the case, to be brought in behalf of the people of this State, and the money so realized shall be paid into the State treasury."

5. By inserting after the word "manner," in line 3 of section 4, Article IV., the words "and within such time."

6. By striking out in line 5 of section 7, Article IV., the words "in relation to running of engines or trains."

7. By inserting after the word "neglect," in line 5 of section 13, Article IV., the words: "*Provided, That at street crossings, within the limits of incorporated cities or villages, the sounding of the whistle may be omitted, unless required by the common council or board of trustees of any such city or village.*"

And also to inform the House that the Senate has amended the title of the bill by inserting after the word "section," the figure "1."

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The bill was referred to the committee on railroads.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,)
Lansing, February 26, 1875.)

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the village of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Howard street ;

Which has passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on asylum for the insane.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,)
Lansing, February 26, 1875.)

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of proceedings against debtors by attachment,' " being consecutive section 6431 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

2. Senate bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 6918, being section 7, of chapter 218, of the Com-

piled Laws of 1871, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 26, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royal;

2. House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in the county of Keweenaw;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hulbert moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton;

Also,

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. West moved to take from the table

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. West,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Daly offered the following:

Resolved, That the Senate be and it is hereby requested to return to the House,

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,'" approved Feb. 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Backus in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum or coal oils," approved April 3, 1869, as amended by act 45 of the session laws of 1871, being compiler's section 1508 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

2. House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum, for lighting passenger cars;

3. House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to facilitate the inspection of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds;

4. House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section one of an act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders, approved April 29, 1873;

5. House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick;

6. House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to authorize the commissioners of highways to purchase the interest of any plank road or toll road company for that portion of such road situated in their respective townships;

7. House bill 245, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

8. House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208,

1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto ;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be referred to a special committee to consist of one member from each congressional district of the State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

9. House bill No. 177, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Crawford and the townships of Grayling, Centre Plains, and Crawford therein ;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on towns and counties.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

10. House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road, in Osceola county, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road ;

11. House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping ;

12. Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys ;

13. House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Paw Paw, in

Van Buren county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against said township, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

WILLIAM BAQKUS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The seven bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole to the eighth named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was referred to a special committee to consist of one member from each congressional district of the State.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the ninth named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the bills were re-committed to the committee on towns and counties.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the tenth, eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the several bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Schattler,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 3, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wood.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. F. O. Clark, Howard, Huggett, Hunt, Morse, Norton, Reed, Remer, Taylor, Towne, Walker, and Wiley.

The Clerk announced the receipt of a telegram from Mr. Remer, asking leave of absence for the day, on account of being detained by delayed trains.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

Such leave was granted.

Mr. Goodyear asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Towne, for the day.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt, for the day.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Howard until next Monday noon.

Mr. Dow asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Norton, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Bailey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Taylor for the day.

Mr. C. Brown asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Reed for the day.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Walker for the day.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Yeckley indefinitely on account of sickness.

Mr. Bradfield asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. F. O. Clark for the day.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morse for the day.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wiley for the day.

Mr. Hale asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Huggett for the day.

Mr. Preston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for one hour.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for one hour.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced as the special committee of one member from each Congressional district of the State to consider

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways, and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation thereof and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto,

Messrs. Walker, Livingstone, Lay, Robinson, Struble, Wiley, Berk, Churchill, and Bradfield.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 599. By Mr. Budlong : Petition of C. P. Dibble, O. O. Comstock, Geo. Woodruff, Charles Dickey and 115 others, relative to the formation of telegraph companies ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 600. By Mr. Lay : Petition of Edgar Rexford, J. M. Bennett, A. Martin and 110 others, citizens of the city of Ypsilanti, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, and for making it more effective ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 601. By Mr. Whitney : Petition of Harlow Bowen, J. A. Bowers, J. T. Chitester and 40 other citizens of Muskegon county, praying for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of common schools ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 602. By Mr. Whitney : Petition of R. H. Topping, M. L. Squiers and 40 other citizens of Casinovia and Tyrone townships, asking for the incorporation of the village of Casinovia ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 603. By Mr. Hale : Protest of 125 ladies of the Ladies' Temperance Praying Band of Eaton Rapids, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law.

On demand of Mr. Hale,

The protest was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The Ladies' Temperance Praying Band of Eaton Rapids, Mich., auxiliary to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan—in no sense a political organization, nor in league with any political party, but simply a union upon philanthropic, moral, and christian grounds for the combination of efforts to diminish, and if possible destroy, the curse of intemperance—would respectfully protest against the repeal of any existing laws which limit or prohibit the sale of or traffic in intoxicating drinks. Having themselves as women, no direct voice in legislation, they can do no more than to make their earnest and solemn appeal to your honorable body, who do make our laws, and beseech you individually to give your highest wisdom and profoundest statesmanship to the suppression of this our nation's curse. Humbly but persistently reminding you that before God as well as before men, you will be held responsible for the faithful administration of this trust.

The protest was referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 604. By Mr. Ludington : Petition of John Beattie and 26 others of Huron county, asking the resolution changed to a recommendation of a donation of \$200 in money instead of 160 acres of land by Congress, to the Union soldiers ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 605. By Mr. Ranney : Petition of Geo. F. Houghty, J. W. Niblack and 26 other citizens of Hillsdale county, asking the Legislature to change or repeal the joint resolution asking Congress to amend the act enabling Union soldiers and sailors to acquire homesteads or public lands so as to give such soldiers and sailors a perfect title to 160 acres of land, and in lieu thereof ask Congress to provide for the issue and donation of \$200 in treasury notes to such soldiers and sailors ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 606. By Mr. Armstrong : Petition of A. Crawford and 36 others of Springport, for the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 607. By Mr. Harden : Petition of H. S. Briggs, L. Vanvalkenburg and 60 other citizens of Allegan county, requesting the Legislature to ask Congress to appropriate to each Union soldier the sum of \$200 in money, instead of 160 acres of land as proposed ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 608. By Mr. Harden : Petition of S. S. Bush and 19 other citizens of Dundee, Monroe county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but so amend it as to make it more effective ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 609. By Mr. Benedict : Petition of John Morton and 66 tax-payers of Otisco, for the repeal of the county superintendency law ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 610. By Mr. Benedict : Petition of Geo. Leonard and 107 tax-payers of Otisco, Ionia county, relative to asking Congress to give each Union soldier a donation of \$200, instead of 160 acres of land ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 611. By Mr. Livingstone : Memorial of T. H. Hinchman, Horace Halleck and 63 others of Detroit, against changing metropolitan police law ;

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

GENTLEMEN—The undersigned, your memorialists, citizens and electors of the city of Detroit, beg leave to enter their respectful protest against the changes in the police act, proposed and urged upon your honorable body by the common council.

We do not know that the proposition to confer the power to appoint police commissioners upon the mayor and common council, is based upon any dissatisfaction with the practical working of the present system of appointment, nor is it claimed that any abuses or evils pertain to our police administration which it is expected to remedy by the proposed change, evils (if such there are) not common to the best police system of the world. On the contrary, the advocates of the proposed change express their high appreciation of the dignity and integrity of the police board; and the perfection of our police system and administration elicits most general commendation from citizens and strangers alike. The fears that the possible election of a Governor from the rural districts at some period may possibly operate to place upon the police board improper or incompetent commissioners, is in our judgment chimerical, or at least the expected difficulty is so remote that no provident legislation is now demanded. The principle of "local self-government" put forward as the sole or main plea for the proposed change, we believe, cannot be properly urged until better defined than it is at present. It cannot mean that each municipality in the commonwealth shall have absolute and unlimited control of all its affairs, for then every city would be an independent sovereignty. Such a demand would be preposterous, also, because it is impossible to disassociate the varied interests of any portion of our population, especially the commercial metropolis of our State, with its 100,000 inhabitants, from the welfare of the State at large. Indeed, so united are we with the whole State in social and com-

mercial ties that the dismemberment of absolute municipal independence would be a most dire calamity. If then, there must be some limit to the application of the principle of "local self-government," are not the applicants for legislative changes, based upon this principle, bound to draw the line, to define more generally and definitely its scope and limits before they propose important particular legislation based upon it? The almost universally acknowledged evils connected with an elective judiciary, and the hitherto observed inefficiency of an elective constabulary, may well lead us to enquire whether our police force, now the pride of our city, would be improved or impaired by bringing the appointment of police commissioners so near the muddy matters of partisan politics, as would be by the proposed change in the law.

The undersigned, in full sympathy with the republican governmental system under which we live, believing too, in the principle of "local self-government," as we understand it; believing also, in the homely maxim, "Let well enough alone," do most respectfully urge upon your honorable body the fullest consideration of the whole subject, and the greatest deliberation before you interfere, as requested by the common council, with the admirable police system of our city.

The memorial was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 612. By Mr. Churchill : Petition of 40 of the citizens and tax-payers of the township of Rogers, praying the Legislature to organize certain territory herein described into separate townships ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 613. By Mr. Churchill : Petition of 92 citizens of the township of Rogers, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 614. By Mr. Robinson : Petition of 70 citizens and tax-payers of the township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 615. By Mr. L. P. Wheeler : Petition of D. F. Culver, A. Clark and 41 others of Jackson county, asking the Legislature to change the resolution asking Congress to give Union soldiers a donation of land, to one of money ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 616. By Mr. Wood: Petition of Hugh Murphy, William L. Seaton, and 32 others, citizens of the city of Jackson, praying the Legislature to authorize the Inspectors of the State Prison to plat certain streets on the State land, and to erect a pest house outside of the limits of the city of Jackson, to place convicts affected with contagious diseases, and for other purposes ;

Referred to the committee on the State Prison.

No. 617. By Mr. Ferguson: Remonstrance of Harris Brothers, against having lots 1 and 2, section 4, town 21 N., R. 9 W., included in the Clam Lake city charter ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 618. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of James A. Williams, M. D., and 33 other residents of Edwardsburg, Cass county, Mich., asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 619. By Mr. Potter: Petition of William E. Higman, Willis W. Cooper, and 16 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, Mich., asking for the repeal of so much of section 9, chapter 45, Vol. I, of the Compiled Laws as lays a specific tax upon insurance premiums collected by life insurance companies of other States within this State ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 620. By Mr. Potter: Petition of James R. Clark, F. F. Ransom, and 96 others, asking for the repeal of the law which allows fishing in the lakes of Watervliet township, and other townships in Berrien county, only from the 1st day of May until the 1st day of November ;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 621. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of S. F. Mullen, J. W. Brown, and 48 other citizens of Mecosta county, asking Congress to give Union soldiers and sailors money instead of land ;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

No. 622. By Mr. Copley: Petition of James Doyle, L. Crane, and 190 others, protesting against the passage of the bill increasing the fare on the Paw Paw Railroad ;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 623. By Mr. Walton: Remonstrance of citizens of Salzburg against being annexed to Wenona ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 624. By Mr. Walton: Remonstrance of citizens of Bangor against being annexed to Wenona or Banks ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 233, of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Imlay City, in Lapeer county," and to add two new sections thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was re-committed

House bill No. 106, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to amend section 137 of chapter 136, being section 3696 of Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 315, entitled

A bill to define the rights of non-resident tax-payers in school districts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Our reasons are that heretofore the rights of pupils have been determined upon the basis of residence, both as regards their rights to Primary School money, as well as their rights to attend school. We discover that many non-resident tax-payers are not treated justly on this basis, but notwithstanding, we fear that greater injustice would be done to resident tax-payers by the changes sought by these bills.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The bill was laid on the table.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Northrop,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ranney,	West,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,

Mr. A. K. Clark, Cole, Curry, Ferguson,	Mr. Hull, Keyes, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Whitney, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Churchill, Copley, Craig, Daly, Dow, Garfield, I. Green,	Mr. Greiner, Hart, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Kilbourne,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Moshier, Neff,	Mr. Packard, Parker, Potter, Schattler, Sutton, Walton,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,
Mr. Daly moved that Mr. Schattler be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.
Mr. Schattler then voted as recorded above.
Senate bill No. 42, entitled
A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 6, being section 41 of the Compiled
Laws of 1871, relative to notice of election to fill vacancy,
Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting
therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne,	Mr. Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Ranney,	Mr. Ransom, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Shattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Townsend, Van Aken, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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Title agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Parker,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take
immediate effect.
House bill No. 52, entitled
A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875
and 1876.
Pending the reading of the bill,

Mr. Wood moved to lay the bill upon the table.

Mr. Goodyear demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay on the table prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Garfield,	Keyes,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Knight,	Struble,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hale,	Mercer,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Harden,	Meyer,	Walton,
Campbell,	Harris,	Moshier,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Potter,	Whitney,
Copley,	Houston,	Ranney,	Wood,
Curry,	Howland,	Robinson,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Daly,	Hubbard,		50

NAYS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Ransom,
C. Brown,	Kilbourne,	Northrop,	Rich,
Craig,	Lay,	Ocobock,	Robbins,
Dow,	Livingstone,	Parker,	Stephens,
E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Preston,	Townsend, 20

House bill No. 161, entitled

A bill to amend the act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Manistee," approved March 15th, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Lee,	Robbins,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Little,	Robinson,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Briggs,	Harden,	Ludington,	Stephens,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meroer,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Cole,	Houston,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Copley,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Parker,	West,
Dow,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Keyes,	Preston,	Whitney,
Garfield,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Knight,	Ransom,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Goodyear,			69

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cole,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Grand Rapids, to be called "The Superior Court of Grand Rapids,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Preston,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Knight,	Ranney,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Ransom,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Rich,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Little,	Robbins,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
Briggs,	Hale,	Ludington,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Budlong,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Campbell,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walton,
Copley,	Houston,	Northrop,	West,
Craig,	Howland,	Ocobock,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Whitney,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Potter,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,		70

NAYS.

Mr. Sutton,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Ransom,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Rich,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Robbins,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Robinson,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Budlong,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Hart,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Potter,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Knight,	Preston,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Lay,	Ranney,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Lee,	Ransom,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Little,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
Budlong,	Harris,	Ludington,	Smith,
Campbell,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Stowe,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Cole,	Houston,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Copley,	Howland,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Neff,	Walton,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hull,	Ocobock,	Whitney,
Dow,	Keyes,	Packard,	Wood,
Garfield,	Kilbourne,	Parker,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
			68
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Parker,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Knight,	Potter,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Lay,	Preston,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Lee,	Ranney,
Benedict,	Harden,	Little,	Ransom,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
Budlong,	Hart,	Ludington,	Smith,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Copley,	Houston,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Craig,	Howland,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Moshier,	Walton,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Neff,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Hull,	Northrop,	Whitney,
Garfield,	Keyes,	Ocobock,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Kilbourne,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,
The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Marquette," being act No. 202 of the session laws of 1871, approved February 27, 1871, as amended by an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Marquette,'" being act number 202 of the session laws of 1871, approved February 27, 1871, approved April 12, A. D. 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Greiner,	Lee,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Hale,	Little,	Robinson,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Briggs,	Harris,	Ludington,	Stephens,
C. Brown,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Struble,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Curry,	Hull,	Northrop,	Walton,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ocobock,	West,
Garfield,	Kilbourne,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Gerrish,	Klein,	Preston,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Knight,	Ranney,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>

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NAYS.

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Schattler,	Mr. Whitney,	4
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum or coal oils,

approved April 3, 1869, as amended by act 45 of the session laws of 1871," being compiler's section 1508 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Preston,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Klein,	Ranney,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Knight,	Ransom,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Lay,	Rich,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Lee,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Little,	Robinson,
Budlong,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Campbell,	Harris,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Churchill,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Townsend,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,
Copley,	Houston,	Meyer,	West,
Curry,	Howland,	Moshier,	Whitney,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Neff,	Wood,
Dow,	Hull,	Northrop,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson.	Keyes,	Packard,	63

NAYS.

Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Stowe,
Hubbard,	Schattler,	Stephens,	Walton,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Paw Paw, in Van Buren county, to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against said township, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Ransom moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the amendment made by the committee of the whole to the bill, by inserting the word "district" after the words "United States," in line 6, of section 1;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendment,

The same was not concurred in.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Ranney,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Knight,	Ransom,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Lay,	Rich,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Lee,	Robbins,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Robinson,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Budlong,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Campbell,	Harris,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Churchill,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Struble,

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Hertzler,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sutton,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Copley,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Curry,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walton,
Daly,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Hull,	Preston,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Garfield,	Keyes,		66

NAYS.

Mr. Klein,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Sweetland,	Mr. West,	4
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum for lighting passenger cars,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	I. Green,	Lee,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Little,	Robinson,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Briggs,	Harden,	Ludington,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Budlong,	Hart,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Cole,	Howland,	Neff,	Townsend,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Daly,	Keyes,	Parker,	West,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Goodyear,	Knight,	Ransom,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Packard,	3
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 190, entitled

A bill to facilitate the inspection of the records and files in the offices of the registers of deeds,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Ransom,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Kilbourne,	Rich,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Knight,	Robbins,

Mr. Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry, Daly, Ferguson,	Mr. E. H. Green, Greiner, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Metcalf, Meyer, Northrop, Ocobock, Parker, Preston,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Townsend, Walton, West, Whitney, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Dow, I. Green, Hale,	Mr. Klein, Mercer, Moshier,	Mr. Packard, Ranney, Robinson,	Mr. Van Aken, I. P. Wheeler,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys.

Pending the reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on ways and means.

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping,

Pending the reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on State affairs.

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders, approved April 29, 1873.

Was read a third time, and pending the announcement of the vote,

On motion of Mr. Little,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Societies of St. Patrick,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Bradfield, C. Brown,	Mr. Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Metcalf,	Mr. Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe,
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Mr. Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Ferguson, Gerrish,	Mr. Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howland, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom,	Mr. Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Townsend, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Houston,	Mr. Parker,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to authorize the commissioner of highways to purchase the interest of any plank road or toll road company for that portion of such road situated in their respective townships,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howland, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Klein,	Mr. Knight, Lay, Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Parker, Potter, Preston,	Mr. Ranney, Ransom, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Townsend, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Briggs, I. Green,	Mr. Harden, Kilbourne,	Mr. Little, Stowe,	Mr. Whitney,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 245, entitled.

A bill making appropriation for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture,

Mr. Goodyear moved to lay the bill upon the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was read a third time, and pending the announcement of the vote,
On motion of Mr. Daly,
The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road in Osceola county,
to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting
therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Parker,
Backus,	Garfield,	Klein,	Potter,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Knight,	Preston,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Ranney,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Ransom,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Rich,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Budlong,	Hale,	Mercer,	Robinson,
Campbell,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Schattler,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Smith,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Struble,
Copley,	Howland,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Neff,	Sweetland,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	Walton,
Daly,	Hull,	Ocobock,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. Lee,	Mr. Whitney,	2
Title agreed to.		
On motion of Mr. Hart,		
The House resumed the order of		

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to respectfully request the House to
return to the Senate

Senate bill No. 37, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the institution for educating the deaf and
dumb, and the blind, for the years 1875-'6.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The committee on the asylum for the deaf, dumb and blind were instructed
to report the bill back to the House.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled,
signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 102, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Isle Royal ;

2. House bill No. 56, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Cove, in the county of Keweenaw ;

3. House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to so amend an act entitled "An act to enable honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, to acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States ;"

4. House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the homestead law giving soldiers and sailors, disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability, the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same as now required.

HENRY HART, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Livingstone in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

2. Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain societies ;

3. Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873 ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

WM. LIVINGSTONE JR., *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the several bills,

Mr. Wood demanded a division of the question, so as to take separate action on Senate bill No. 25.

The amendments made by the committee of the whole to the three several bills were then concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Klein, by unanimous consent, moved that the rules be suspended, and that

Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads

and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873,

Be put upon its immediate passage ;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The House adjourned. .

Lansing, Thursday, March 4, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Crosby.

Roll called : quorum present.

Absent without leave : Messrs. Benjamin, Hunt, Knight, Remer, Robinson, Towne, Van Raalte, Walker, and Wiley.

Mr. Metcalf asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on the asylum for the deaf, dumb, and blind indefinitely.

Mr. Watkins asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Remer indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Goodyear asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Towne indefinitely.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Benjamin indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wiley indefinitely.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt indefinitely.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 625. By Mr. Howland : Petition of E. R. Miller, G. E. Read, and 100 others, citizens of Richland, Kalamazoo county, to retain the present prohibition, and to add thereto ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 626. By Mr. Howland : Petition of John Doolittle, Wm. Shorter, and 27 others, citizens of Richland, Kalamazoo county, and vicinity, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 627. By Mr. Hertzler : Memorial of the officers of the Homeopathic Medical Society of the State of Michigan.

On demand of Mr. Hertzler,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned officers of the " Homœopathic Medical Society of the State of Michigan," in behalf of its members and their patrons, most respectfully represent and set forth to your honorable body, that at the session of the Legislature of 1873, on the petition of the Regents of the University, your honorable body passed an act appropriating the sum of one-twentieth of a mill on the dollar of the assessed value of the taxable property of the State to the Univer-

sity fund, for the purpose of meeting the current expenses of the University, said sum of money to be raised by a direct tax upon the people of the State, without exception or restrictions. And we further represent that at the same session, and at about the same time, your honorable body passed an act establishing two professorships of homœopathy in the medical department of the University, one of *materia medica* and one of theory and practice. The said act enjoined upon the Regents the duty of making said appointments in good faith by the 15th of July, 1873.

We further represent that to assist the Regents to carry out the provisions of said act we called a State convention of the homœopathic physicians of this and adjoining States in May, 1873, for the purpose of deliberating and the selection of suitable persons of the homœopathic school of practice to fill these responsible positions, with credit to the medical department and honor to our school. The said convention, after due deliberation, made a selection of six medical men from the homœopathic school of practice, well known for their morality, scientific and professional attainments, either of whom would have, if appointed, been an honor to the medical department and popularized the same. We further represent that the above convention, after having carefully made the above selection of six persons, appointed a committee to meet the said Board of Regents in the month of June, at their meeting at Ann Arbor, 1873, for the purpose of presenting the names of the six gentlemen selected, with the request that they would appoint from among the list any two that in their judgment seemed best to them, or any other two gentlemen of their own selection from among our school, that were competent to fill these important positions.

We further represent that our committee met the Board of Regents at the time above mentioned, and respectfully presented the names of the gentlemen selected by our convention, and urged upon the Regents the appointment of any two of the number, but that the Regents, disregarding the express commands of the Legislature of our State, utterly refused to make any appointments whatever, but on the contrary openly avowed that they were a body entirely independent of the Legislature, and not bound to obey any of its acts in regard to the control or management of the University, or in the disposition of its funds.

We further represent that after being thus abruptly repulsed, we were compelled, at our own great expense, to commence a suit against the Regents by a writ of mandamus in the circuit court for the county of Washtenaw, and that after a partial hearing of the case, the circuit judge before whom the case was being tried, very summarily, and without showing any cogent reason therefor, dismissed the case for an alleged want of jurisdiction. We further set forth that we then commenced a suit against the Regents in the Supreme Court of this State by a writ of mandamus, which was carried forward at our own very great expense, and the court after hearing the very able arguments of the counsel in the case, made no decision at all, leaving us without a remedy for the enjoyments of our legal and just rights in said medical department of our State University.

We further state to your honorable body that there are over four hundred practicing homœopathic physicians in Michigan, and that there are over three hundred thousand persons in the State who take homœopathic treatment when sick, and by a careful computation the one-twentieth of a mill tax amounts to about the sum of thirty-one thousand five hundred dollars per year, of which sum the patrons of homœopathy pay very nearly one-half, as the wealthy and intelligent are more inclined to seek homœopathic treatment than the poor and

ignorant ; and we regret to have to say these honest and willing tax payers are denied the privileges and benefits of the medical department of our University that are so freely and lavishly accorded to the allopathic school.

We further represent that the teachings in the medical department of our University are in every sense of the word sectarian, and opposed to a State institution supported in part by a tax upon the people of the State. And for the correctness of our allegations as to its sectarianism we refer your honorable body to the report of the Senate committee of 1873, who were authorized by the then members of the Legislature to proceed to Ann Arbor to enquire into the charges of sectarianism.

For our grievances herein set forth we have no remedy but to appeal to your honorable body. We therefore, in view of the facts herein stated, and in behalf of our professional brothers and our large number of tax-paying patrons, earnestly petition your honorable body to pass a concurrent resolution prohibiting the Regents of our University from drawing from the State Treasury any portion of the sum of money arising from the one-twentieth mill tax, until the said Regents have honestly and faithfully carried out the provisions and requirements of the act requiring them to appoint and maintain, in the medical department of our University, the two homœopathic professors provided for in said act. All of which is respectfully submitted.

February 28, 1875.

The memorial was referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

No. 628. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of J. B. Butler, and 211 others, for the organization of the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 629. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Hon. Daniel Wixon and 54 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 630. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Wm. Martin and 37 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 631. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Watson Beach and 90 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 632. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Wm. R. Nims and 52 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 633. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of John Smith and 16 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 634. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of John Willis and 10 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 635. By Mr. Dow : Petition of Harley Round, Edward Barry, and 28 others, citizens of Oakland county, requesting the Legislature to change their resolution asking Congress to grant each soldier 160 acres of land, and have the resolution read \$200 in money, in lieu thereof ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 636. By Mr. Churchill : Protest against the organization of three new townships in the county of Presque Isle ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 637. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of taxpayers and citizens of Detroit, against taxing church property.

On demand of Daly,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable House of Representatives at Lansing :

The undersigned citizens of Detroit, wish to represent that it is with regret they have learned that there is before the present Legislature, a bill for the taxation of church property, or one which is intended to do away with the exemption which the church property has, until now, enjoyed. Such a law seems, in our opinion, to be directly opposed to the spirit of American institutions. For it appears to be a maxim, well established in the minds of the American people, "that we ought not to interfere with our neighbor's church or religion." Again, we consider that such a law would be contrary to that great bulwark of religious liberty, the Constitution of the United States, which says that "Congress [or the people] shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."—Amendments, Article I. Now if church property is taxed, "the free exercise of religion" is certainly to some extent prohibited ; it is prohibited under penalty of a certain sum of money, to be paid as taxes. We wish, furthermore, to respectfully represent that the enactment of such a law would appear to be favoring infidelity. If I am a christian, and wish to consistently practice my religion, I must pay a tax for it ; whilst my infidel neighbor goes free. And lastly, if church property be taxed, the conduct of the American people must appear very inconsistent abroad. Our people send yearly large sums of money to other lands, for the spread of religion, the building of churches, etc., and yet they would forbid the building of such churches at home, under the penalty of a tax. We therefore most respectfully but earnestly pray that all church property may remain exempt from taxation, at least all such property as is non-productive, and is maintained in the sole interest of religion.

The remonstrance was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 638. By Mr. Ocobock : Petition of Wm. W. Wight and 60 others, of Livonia, in favor of a resolution asking Congress for \$200 in money instead of 160 acres of land, for United States soldiers and sailors, engaged in the war for the suppression of the rebellion ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 639. By Mr. Gerrish : Petitions of 26 citizens of Burton and Norwick, Newaygo county, to be detached from Newaygo and attached to Mecosta county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 640. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of J. W. Martin, Geo. T. Floyd, and 27 citizens of Burton and Norwick, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 641. By Mr. Gerrish : Petition of E. G. Raymond, R. W. Page, and 15 other citizens of Osceola county, that a system to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon, known as the county system, be adopted ;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 642. By Mr. Sweetland : Petition of Geo. Smith and 73 other residents of

Milton, Cass county, Michigan, asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

The Speaker announced the following petition and remonstrance :

No. 643. Petition of O. S. Jones and 5 others, relative to bounties ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 644. Remonstrance of James Hallihan and 15 others, against the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on the asylum for the deaf, dumb, and the blind :

The committee on the asylum for the deaf, dumb, and the blind, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 37, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the institution for educating the deaf and dumb, and the blind, for the years 1875 and 1876,

Respectfully report the bill back to the House, in accordance with the vote which authorized the return of the bill to the Senate.

SAMUEL S. WALKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 330, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette," approved April 10, A. D. 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869,

Recommending that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. West,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 550, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of LaFayette, in Gratiot county, to issue bonds in payment for the construction of that portion of the Wheeler and LaFayette ditch as lies in the township of LaFayette,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to legalize the records and proceedings to construct ditch No. 1, in the township of Howell, Livingston county, and the branch ditch intersecting the same; also to authorize the township drain commissioner to clean out and keep the same in repair, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, to defray the expense of constructing and keeping the same in repair,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 405, entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 343, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State public school :

The committee on State public school, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State public school for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871, and to add three new sections to said act, to be known as sections 21, 22, and 23,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. N. OCOBOCK, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill :

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,'" approved Feb. 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city,

In compliance with the request of the House.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

The rule requiring the reconsideration of a vote to be on the same or the next subsequent day was suspended.

Mr. Klein moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Klein moved to amend—

1st—Section 1, by inserting after the word "that," in line 2, the words "sections one, two, and three of ;"

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 550, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of LaFayette, in Gratiot county, to issue bonds in payment for the construction of that portion of the Wheeler and LaFayette ditch as lies in the township of LaFayette,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 418, entitled

A bill to legalize the records and proceedings to construct ditch No. 1, in the township of Howell, Livingston county, and the branch ditch intersecting the same; also to authorize the township drain commissioner to clean out and keep the same in repair, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, to defray the expense of constructing and keeping the same in repair,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 405, entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 343, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation,

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to request the return from the House of

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the village of Midland City,” approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The request of the Senate was granted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain societies,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Rich,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLaohlin,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walton,
Cole,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hull,	Parker,	Whitney,
Dow,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Speaker, 72

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Mr. Ransom,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,” approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof,

2d—By inserting before the word “amended” in line 8 of the same section, the words “and is hereby;”

3d—By inserting before the word “that” in recited section 1, the words “Section 1. *The People of the State of Michigan enact*;”

4th—By inserting in line 25 of the same section, before the words “all members,” the words “Section 2;”

5th—By striking out all of section 4;

6th—By inserting the word “April” in lieu of the word “May” where it occurs in lines 47 and 61 of recited section 1;

7th—By adding to section 2 the following:

“All official acts of said Board of Estimates performed or done on or subsequent to the first day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and before the passage of this act, are hereby declared to be as legal and valid as the same would have been if done under the provisions of this amendatory act;”

Which amendments were agreed to.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Robbins,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Shattler,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Harden,	Meyer,	Struble,
Campbell,	Harris,	Morse,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
F. O. Clark,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Taylor,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Copley,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Craig,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
Daly,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
Dow,	Hull,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Preston,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wood,
Garfield,	Klein,	Ransom,	Speaker, 72

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Packard, by unanimous consent, moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to request the return from the House of

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the village of Midland City,” approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The request of the Senate was granted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill for the relief of certain societies,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Rich,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walton,
Cole,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hull,	Parker,	Whitney,
Dow,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Speaker, 72

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Mr. Ransom,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,” approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Rich,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Robbins,
Berk,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Billings,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
Budlong,	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Cole,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	West,
Daly,	Hull,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Keyes,	Potter,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Ranney,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lay,	Reed,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of Railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Wood moved to amend by adding to recited section 17 the following:

"And provided further, That this act shall not authorize the Railroad Commissioner to direct, nor the corporation or corporations herein mentioned to erect or maintain a bridge or gate at such crossing of said railroad or railroads, within the limits of any incorporated city or village in this State, without the consent of the common council of such city or village."

Mr. Wood demanded the yeas and nays on the question of agreeing to the amendment;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to amend did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Briggs,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Badlong,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Houston,	Mr. Neff,	Mr. Taylor,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	Van Aken.
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	West,
Daly,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Garfield,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Schattler,	59

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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Ranney,
Berk,	I. Green,	Morse,	Rich,
Copley,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Ferguson,	Hewitt,	Preston,	Watkins, 16

Mr. Wood moved to re-commit the bill to the committee on railroads with instructions to amend the bill by incorporating therein the amendment just offered by himself;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hulbert, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to cause the boundary line between said counties to be surveyed;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Robbins,
Bailey,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Smith,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Berk,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	West,
Daly,	Keyes,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Klein,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Garfield,	Lay,	Ransom,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Reed,	Speaker, 72

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Bradfield, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to authorize the counties of Marquette, Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Keweenaw to purchase such descriptions of lands situated in said counties offered for sale at the annual State tax sales, known as State tax land sales, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes ;

Which motion did not prevail.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Meyer in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 246, entitled

A bill for the relief of Anne Downing, widow of Dennis T. Downing ;

2. House bill No. 248, entitled

A bill to amend section 3593, of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws, relative to meetings of school districts ;

3. House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

4. House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to exempt private burial grounds and places of interment for the dead from taxation and levy on execution or attachment ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

5. House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15, 1871, being section 924, in chapter 19 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

LOUIS MEYER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the fourth named bill,

The same were concurred in, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on granting the committee leave to sit again, for the consideration of the fifth named bill,

Such leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Hart asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Little, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section one of an act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders, approved April 29, 1873 ;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Ransom,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Lee,	Reed,
Berk,	Gerrish,	Little,	Remer,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Rich,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Briggs,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Taylor,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Towne,
F. O. Clark,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Copley,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Aken.
Craig,	Howland,	Parker,	West,
Curry,	Hoyt,	Preston,	Wilson,
Dow,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>

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NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Meyer,	Struble,
Budlong,	Harris,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Keyes,	Schattler,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Smith,	Wood,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Dow moved that Mr. Daly be excused from voting,
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Daly then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Billings moved that Mr. Walton be excused from voting,
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Walton then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

The House resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Meyer in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15, 1871, being section 924, in chapter 19, of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

2. House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto, being act No. 215 of the Session Laws of 1871, and also to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 58 of act No. 215 of the Session Laws of 1871, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Greenville,'" approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

3. House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 62, 83, 85, and 208 of an act to revise the charter of the city of Ypsilanti, approved March 17, 1865, and also to amend section 97 of said act as amended by act No. 272 of the laws of 1869, approved March 12, 1869 ;

4. Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend section 18, of chapter 144, relating to University and school lands, being section 3836 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

LOUIS MEYER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first and second named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The third and fourth named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Lay,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, March 5, 1875.

House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Jennings.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Mr. C. Brown.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. C. Brown for the day and to-morrow, on account of sickness.

Mr. Schattler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 645. By Mr. Kilbourne: Memorial of Rev. A. A. Knappen, Adam Foster, and 106 others, praying that church property be not taxed.

On demand of Mr. Kilbourne,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of Lansing, feeling a deep concern for the prosperity of the State, and the spread of religion and morality, and realizing what an important factor is the *church property*, and knowing the heavy burdens imposed upon nearly all the religious societies to provide for their *running expenses*, witness with great regret the indications that you propose to *tax church property*, and thus add another burden and hindrance. We call your attention to the fact that the imposition of this tax will invariably lower the *salaries of ministers* (who are the servants of everybody, and whose pay is too small already), besides discouraging many a brave but embarrassed and struggling church. We therefore pray you will adhere to the old policy of fostering the *churches* as well as the schools, because of the noble work they are doing, though some few persons may grumble and denounce them.

Believing the advantages and privileges offered to the general public by the churches fully warrant us in making this request, we most sincerely hope you will do nothing to embarrass religious societies, or cause the enemies of temperance and christianity to triumph, as we feel this vexed proposition is largely backed by them. We assure you that in fostering religion you do most effectually protect and bless the masses.

The memorial was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 646. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of Geo. W. Shaw and 3 others, for the organization of Crawford county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 647. By Mr. Ferguson: Petition of Fred. S. Barber and 7 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 648. By Mr. Parker: Petition of Mrs. Levi Walker, Mrs. Thomas Newall and many other ladies of the city of Flint, relative to the suppression of the liquor traffic;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 649. By Mr. Robbins: Memorial of the supervisors of Lenawee county, asking that chapter 47, Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands, be amended.

On demand of Mr. Robbins,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned members of the board of supervisors of Lenawee county, respectfully ask you to amend chapter forty-seven (47), of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An act to provide the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," so that lands returned by county treasurer to the Auditor General, delinquent for drain taxes shall be held subject to redemption eight years or more before the final sale by the State, and that interest charged upon said delinquent drain taxes, be at the rate of ten per cent per annum, instead of the length of time held and the rate of interest now provided by law, and your petitioners will ever pray.

Adrian, February 20th, 1875.

(Signed,)

JACOB WALTON, *Supervisor for Raisin.*

D. D. SINCLAIR, *Supervisor 2d Ward, City.*

CORNELIUS KNAPP, *Rome.*

HEMAN LOOMIS, *Supervisor 3d Ward, City.*

A. A. DOLBEAR, *Supervisor of Rollin.*

GEO. B. WILLIAMS, *Supervisor of Adrian Township.*

PETER LAWLESS, *Supervisor 1st Ward, City.*

WM. B. HILL, *Supervisor of Palmyra.*

N. VAN BRUNT, *Supervisor 4th Ward, City.*

M. CARPENTER, *Supervisor of Woodstock.*

J. MARSHALL JUDSON, *Supervisor of Dover.*

ALFRED D. HALL, *Supervisor of Tecumseh.*

The memorial was referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 650. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of Amos James and 41 others, for the organization of the county of Butler;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 651. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of Peter H. Benedict and 32 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 652. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of H. J. Reynolds and 40 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 653. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of George Haynes and 10 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 654. By Mr. Struble: Remonstrance of H. S. Rogers and 18 other citizens of Cass county, against the repeal of the law creating the county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 655. By Mr. Taylor: Petition of L. T. Knight, L. L. Boyne and 45 other citizens of the county of Shiawassee, for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 656. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of E. T. Motley, Thos. O. Dell and 10

other residents of Cass county, Mich., asking that the law providing for county superintendents of schools be not repealed;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 657. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of John B. Hannon, H. Meacham and 37 others, residents of Cass county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 658. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Daniel Scotten and 47 others, against extending the limits of the city of Detroit.

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

WHEREAS, We, the citizens of the township of Springwells, see with surprise that a bill has been introduced into the Legislature of said State for the purpose of extending the limits of the city of Detroit, taking a portion of the territory of the said town of Springwells; and,

WHEREAS, The said bill has been introduced in the interest of a few persons, with selfish and interested motives, against the wishes and desires of the citizens of the said township of Springwells ;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the resident citizens and property owners of said township, do most respectfully remonstrate against the taking of any of our territory for the purpose above named, for the following reasons:

First, The city of Detroit now has more territory than it needs or can wisely govern, having already a front of five miles and a depth of two miles. Hundreds of acres of land now within the limits of the said city of Detroit, remain uninhabited, unimproved, and uncared for, while hundreds more that are thickly settled remain with impassable streets, without sewers or drains, and cannot have them for years to come; while *our* territory, through the exertion of our citizens, is better drained, has better roads, and a better and more economical government, than the territory referred to. We could not reasonably expect to have any of the advantages of the said city government for many years, only the privilege of paying taxes to be expended for the benefit of others. We prefer our present well administered and economical government.

Second, The territory, the citizens of which the said few persons seek to disfranchise, without their consent, is mostly an agricultural district, with but few inhabitants, who are bitterly opposed to this forcible change of allegiance.

We most respectfully protest against the unwise and, we think, unconstitutional local legislation which will forcibly detach one portion of a territory from its natural and time-honored relations, and attach it to another territory of a different government, without the consent of the citizens of said territory, and against their settled wishes and desires.

Trusting that your patriotism and wisdom will protect us against the wrong contemplated by the introduction of the said above mentioned bill, we throw ourselves on your mercy and protection.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 659. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Isaac Perry and 3 others relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 660. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Edward Meade and 30 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 661. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Edward A. Behr and 16 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 662. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of J. P. Clark and 7 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 663. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Peter Campau and 8 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 664. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Francis L. Webber and 8 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 665. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of C. B. Carstens and 33 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 666. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Geo. T. Robinson and 24 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 667. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Michael Markey and 17 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 668. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of W. B. Gage, and E. L. Parmenter, and 88 others, to promote early construction of a railroad through the Menominee Iron Range ;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 669. By Mr. Briggs : Petition of Myron Roys, praying the Legislature that his property may be set off from union school district No. 1, of Wyoming, Kent county, and attached to some other district ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 670. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of Francis Palma, W. N. Carpenter, and others, against the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means, and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 671. By Mr. Daly : Petition of W. Allen and others, asking for the passage of a bill to facilitate the organization of mutual associations.

On demand of Mr. Daly,

The petition was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:
To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, citizens and tax-payers of the city of Detroit, in the county of Wayne, do respectfully petition your honorable body to pass the bill entitled " A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State."

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray, etc.

February 8th, 1875.

The petition was referred to the committee on insurance.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

1. Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 48, of chapter 18, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive section 875, relative to the militia,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 132, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the board of fish commissioners for the year 1875 and the year 1876,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 313, entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 26, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 1252, as amended by act No. 130, session laws of 1873, relating to the laying out of highways through orchards,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 409, entitled

A bill to legalize certain highways in the county of Charlevoix,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation as to its passage, asking that the bill be referred to the committee on the

judiciary, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman*.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend section 42 of chapter 150, being section 4244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 6918, being section 7 of chapter 218 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to legalize the election of the officers of certain school districts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds and other instruments affecting the title to real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section four of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 114 of the revised statutes, entitled 'Of proceedings against debtors by attachment,'" being consecutive section 6431 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was re-referred

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons, for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

judiciary, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman*.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee, and the bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend section 42 of chapter 150, being section 4244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 6918, being section 7 of chapter 218 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to legalize the election of the officers of certain school districts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds and other instruments affecting the title to real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section four of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 114 of the revised statutes, entitled 'Of proceedings against debtors by attachment,'" being consecutive section 6431 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was re-referred

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons, for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on State affairs :

The majority of the committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 197, entitled

A bill to amend section 30 of chapter 50, being section 1835 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support of poor persons by the public,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

This bill would so amend the law as to allow aldermen of cities to hold the office of superintendent of the poor, which, in the opinion of your committee, is entirely unnecessary as well as unwise.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State Prison :

The committee on State Prison, to whom was referred

House bill No. 448, entitled

A bill to provide for the location, establishment, and organization of a State House of Correction, and making appropriation therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections :

The committee on elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill for a re-registration of the electors in the city of Ann Arbor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. HUBBARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 218, entitled

A bill to authorize the school inspectors of the townships of Carten and

Hastings, in the county of Barry, to organize certain school districts in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 321, entitled

A bill to legalize the proceedings of the county drain commissioner of the county of Washtenaw in the laying and construction of the drain known as the Ludwick or Northfield Drain, in the township of Northfield, Washtenaw county, Michigan, and to provide for the levy and collection of a tax to pay for the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on immigration:

The committee on immigration, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 36, entitled

Joint resolution relative to an immigration agency for this State, in Russia,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN BERK, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was re-committed with instructions

Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79, of the Sessions Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads, and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,
 The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.
 The question being on the passage of the bill,
 The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor,
 by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Garfield,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Berk,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hale,	Moshier,	Towne,
Budlong,	Harden,	Neff,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Watkins,
Cole,	Houston,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Howland,	Preston,	L. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Remer,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Rich,	79

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Whitney,	4
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Title, agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill relative to the use of sleeping, parlor, and chair cars upon the railroads of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15 of Article IV., of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873,

For the purpose of considering the amendments made by the Senate to said bill,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the House concur in the various amendments, except the amendment to section 12, Article II., by striking out all after the word "go," in line 11, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"Any railroad company doing business in this State, shall, by its printed rules or regulations, require of its employes a careful observance of the provisions of this section; and in case of failure on the part of the company to require as above, they shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars for each offense." And as to this amendment the committee recommend that the House do not concur, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate and recommended by the committee to be concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Berk,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
Campbell,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Parker,	Walton,
Cole,	Howland,	Potter,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Preston,	West,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Rich,	Speaker,
Ferguson,			

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The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to section 12, Article II., on which the committee reported adversely,

The same was not concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Ooobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Parker,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Preston,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hull,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Speaker
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,	75

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The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the Senate to the title of the bill,

The same was concurred in.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was re-committed

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to regulate the construction of highway and railroad bridges,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on public health:

The committee on public health, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution for publishing in pamphlet form all laws relating to public health,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN B. SWEETLAND, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on lumber and salt interests:

The committee on lumber and salt interests, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform inspection of lumber," approved March 25, 1871, and the act amendatory thereof, approved April 10, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

N. L. GERRISH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the special committee to consider House bill No. 49 :

The special committee to whom was referred

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled

Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being, sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and find by comparison of the Compiled Laws of 1871 that no changes have been made, except in sections 647 and 649, and the changes in phraseology in the other sections of said bill which would necessarily follow to conform to the changes made in sections 647 and 649, which provides for only one commissioner of highways instead of three, and recommend that the bill be placed on the order of third reading, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend section 540 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to county clerks;

2. Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the Supreme Court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1857, being section 4901 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The two named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to amend section 7580 of chapter 245 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to embezzlement by officers of corporations, and others;

2. Senate bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend section 4069 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to estates in real property;

3. Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the recorder's court of the city of Detroit ;"

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The three named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 82, entitled

"A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8, 9, 13, 15, and 21 of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Vassar ;"

2. Senate bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to re-organize the tenth judicial circuit, and create the twenty-first judicial circuit ;

3. Senate bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prevent animals from running at large in the public highways," being section 4 of chapter 59, being section 2030 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

4. Senate bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend section 3934 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, care, and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Michigan by act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, for the endowment of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," approved March 18, 1863 ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The fourth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agricultural college.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following concurrent resolution:

WHEREAS, The appropriations for the various public buildings and institutions of the State, as called for by the bills introduced, appropriates nearly one million dollars, which is far beyond past precedent, and probable propriety;

AND WHEREAS, By the passage of the various appropriation bills in detail, without being considered and passed upon by some committee in gross, is liable to result in excessive expenditure or unequal abatement; therefore

Resolved (The House concurring), That the committee on appropriations and finance of the Senate, and ways and means in the House of Representatives, be directed to meet jointly, and to carefully review all appropriations, and recommend such action on said subject as may to them seem proper;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14, of chapter 88, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'" approved March 7, 1873,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1st—By striking out of line 9, of recited section 14, the word "five" and inserting "eight" in lieu thereof;

2d—By striking out of line 33 the words "possession of," and inserting in lieu thereof "its lien on;"

3d—By inserting after the word "same," in line 35, the words "in common with any other party having a subsequently acquired lien thereon;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

Pending the taking of the vote thereon,

On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex township 41 north, of range 33 west, to the township of Menominee, and county of Menominee;

2. House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the "Independent Order of Philanthropists;"

2. House bill No. 123, entitled

A bill to authorize railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the transfer of certain moneys from the sinking fund to the general fund,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take

immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Carrollton to aid in the purchase or building of a bridge across the Saginaw river, to be thereafter maintained as a free bridge;

2. Senate bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to release witnesses in criminal cases from giving bail;

3. Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Mason, under act No. 178, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities," approved April 19, 1873,

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 246, entitled

A bill for the relief of Anne Downing, widow of Dennis T. Downing.

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No 248, entitled

A bill to amend section 3593, of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws, relative to meetings of school districts,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Remer,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Lay,	Rich,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Robbins,

Mr. Benedict, Berk. Bradfield, Briggs, Campbell, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry. Eggleston, Garfield,	Mr. Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howland, Hulbert, Keyes,	Mr. Ludington, McLachlin, Neff, Northrop, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom,	Mr. Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Watkins, West, Whitney, Wiley,
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Mr. Bartow, Billings, Budlong, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Ferguson, Goodyear, Greiner, Hubbard, Huggett, Klein, Lee, Mercer,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Ocobock, Reed, Smith, Stephens, Stowe,	Mr. Struble, Towne, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Goodyear moved that Mr. I. P. Wheeler be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. I. P. Wheeler then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to exempt private burial grounds and places of interment for the dead from taxation and levy on execution or attachment,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Budlong, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry,	Mr. Daly, Ferguson, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howland,	Mr. Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Lay, Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Neff, Parker, Preston, Ranney,	Mr. Ransom, Reed, Remer, Stowe, Struble, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Watkins, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood,
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Mr. Campbell, Dow,	Mr. Moshier, Northrop,	Mr. Rich, Robbins,	Mr. Townsend, Walton,
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Mr. Greiner, Hale, Klein, Morse,	Mr. Ocobock, Packard, Potter,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Sutton,	Mr. West, I. P. Wheeler, Speaker,	21
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Klein, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Smith, Stephens,	Mr. Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	75
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Walton,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Morse moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. I. Green moved to amend by making the time 2½ o'clock P. M.

Which amendment was agreed to.

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Curry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hulbert for the afternoon.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull for the afternoon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of the salaries of the military officers of the State," approved April 15, 1871, being section 924 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Garfield,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Struble,
Berk,	Hale,	Morse,	Sutton,
Billings,	Harden,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Parker,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lay,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Reed,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Livingstone,	Remer,	Speaker, 73

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Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Stephens,	Mr. Walton,
Greiner,	Klein,	Van Raulte,	Whitney, 8

The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Livingstone moved to amend the title by substituting the number 19 in lieu of 18, where it occurs in the title ;

Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of chapter 144, relating to University and school lands, being section 3836 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Garfield,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Morse,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Neff,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Northrop,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Packard,	Van Aken,

Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Van Raalte,	
Churchill,	Howard,	Potter,	Walton,	
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Preston,	Watkins,	
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard	Ranney,	West,	
Cole,	Huggett,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Curry,	Lay,	Reed,	Whitney,	
Daly,	Lee,	Remer,	Wiley,	
Dow,	Livingstone,	Rich,	Wilson,	
Eggleston,	Ludington,	Robbins,	Speaker,	76
NAYS.				0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto, being act No. 215 of the session laws of 1871, and also to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 53 of act No. 215 of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Greenville,'" approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Stowe,	
Backus,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Strable,	
Bailey,	Hale,	Morse,	Sutton,	
Benedict,	Harden,	Moshier,	Sweetland,	
Berk,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,	
Billings,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,	
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Ocobook,	Townsend,	
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Aken,	
Budlong,	Howard,	Parker,	Van Raalte,	
Churchill,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,	
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Watkins,	
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	West,	
Craig,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Curry,	Lay,	Reed,	Whitney,	
Daly,	Lee,	Remer,	Wiley,	
Eggleston,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	Wilson,	
Garfield,	Ludington,	Smith,	Wood,	
Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Stephens,	Speaker,	74
Goodyear,	Mercer,			0
NAYS.				0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 62, 83, 85, and 208 of an act to revise the charter of the city of Ypsilanti, approved March 17, 1865, and also to amend sec-

tion 97 of said act as amended by act No. 272 of the laws of 1869, approved March 12, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Stowe,
Backus,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benedict,	Hale,	Morse,	Sutton,
Billings,	Harden,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Ocoboek,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Dow,	Lay,	Rich,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Ludington,	Smith,	Wood,
Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Stephens,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Mercer,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lay,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to be of immediate effect.

House bill No. 153, entitled

A bill to prevent trespass upon lands of private persons, for the purpose of shooting, hunting, fishing, or trapping,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Garfield,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Berk,	I. Green,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Neff,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hale,	Ocoboek,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Harden,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hart,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Potter,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Copley,	Howard,	Ransom,	West,
Craig,	Howland,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Remer,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Rich,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Livingstone,		

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Mr. Backus, Billings, Churchill, Cole, Dow, Gerrish, Goodyear,	Mr. Harris, Hewitt, Halbert, Klein, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Mercer, Meyer, Moshier, Northrop, Preston, Smith,	Mr. Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Whitney, Wilson, Speaker,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Mercer moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hertzler moved that Mr. McLachlin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. McLachlin then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to regulate the construction of highway and railroad bridges,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Whitney moved to amend the last proviso of section one, by inserting after the word "village" the words "or commissioners of highways of townships;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Ransom moved to amend by striking out the first proviso ;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of bill,

Mr. Howland moved to lay the bill on the table ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wilson moved to re-commit the bill to the committee on railroads ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Goodyear moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Briggs, Churchill, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Garfield, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. I. Green, Greiner, Harden, Hart, Houston, Livingstone, Ludington,	Mr. Morse, Moshier, Neff, Ocobock, Potter, Remer, Smith,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Walton, Wood,
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Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow,	Mr. Craig, Curry, Ferguson, Gerrish,	Mr. Klein, Lay, Lee, McLachlin,	Mr. Rich, Robbins, Struble, Sweetland,
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Mr. Benedict,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Townsend,	
Berk,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Van Aken,	
Billings,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Van Raalte,	
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Watkins,	
Budlong,	Howard,	Packard,	West,	
Campbell,	Howland,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,	
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Whitney,	
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wiley,	
Cole,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wilson,	
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker,	56

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Goodyear moved that Mr. I. P. Wheeler be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. I. P. Wheeler then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Eggleston moved that Mr. Van Raalte be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Van Raalte then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Keyes moved that Mr. McLachlin be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. McLachlin then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Klein moved that Mr. Livingstone be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Livingstone then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Billings moved that Mr. Ferguson be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ferguson then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Robbins moved that Mr. Copley be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Copley then voted as recorded above.

House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23 being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214, and 1215 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways, and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301,

1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Remer,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Rob,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Smith,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Howard,	Preston,	Whitney,
Curry,	Howland,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Daly,	Huggett,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Eggleston,			

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Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Hubbard,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Potter,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Mercer,	Robbins,	West,
Garfield,	Metcalf,	Stowe,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Meyer,	Struble,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take effect from and after the first day of April next.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hertzler moved that the consideration of all bills relative to the liquor traffic be made the special order for Wednesday, the 17th day of March, at eleven o'clock A. M.

Mr. Ransom moved to amend by making the day Thursday, the 25th day of March.

Mr. Van Raalte moved to amend the amendment by making the day the first day of April next.

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The question then being upon agreeing to the amendment making the day Thursday, the 25th day of March,

The same was agreed to.

The motion, as amended, then prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Northrop moved to take from the table

House bill No. 374, entitled

A bill to provide a salary for county officers;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Northrop,

The bill was referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Saturday, March 6, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Hull, Potter, Remer, and Rich.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull for the day.

Mr. Sutton asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Ransom asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to-day noon until Monday noon.

Mr. Craig asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Eggleston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to-day noon until Monday evening.

Mr. Benedict asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday forenoon.

Mr. Huggett asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rich indefinitely on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Berk asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Remer indefinitely on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Preston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Houston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from 11 o'clock to-day until Monday evening.

Mr. Hale asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday and Tuesday forenoon.

Mr. West asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Potter for the day.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from 3 to 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Metcalf asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 672. By Mr. Morse: Remonstrance of Newell Leonard and 87 other residents of Gratiot county against the passage of House bill No. 437.

On demand of Mr. Morse,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned, residents of the township of Bethany, and tax-payers, represent that the Saginaw and Gratiot Plank Road Company was organized under the act of the Legislature of 1851 in the year 1867, and that after its organization it took such measures as it deemed necessary to secure the right of way along the Saginaw and Gratiot State Road, before located by special act of the Legislature, and in the years 1869 and 1870 constructed its road upon said line of said State road, and has maintained toll-gates, and has collected tolls thereon, at double the usual rates authorized under the general law of 1851 aforesaid.

They further represent that the said corporation, to wit: the Saginaw and Gratiot Plank Road Company, since its formation, has so negligently conducted its business that the plank road constructed has been out of repair at least one-half of the time, and nearly impassable for most of the time for the past two years, except in the winter season.

That in order to make necessary repairs it has procured the introduction of a bill into the lower branch of your honorable body, appropriating the non-resident highway taxes within three miles each side of the line of its road, which appropriation will take away all the non-resident highway fund from the use of said township of Bethany, except the northern tier of sections in said township. We, therefore, deeming such appropriation highly injurious to the public interest, would urgently protest against the passage of the said bill, or that any portion of said non-resident highway taxes should be so appropriated to the use of a private corporation. And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 673. By Mr. Morse : Remonstrance of W. H. Weed and 27 other residents of Gratiot county, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 674. By Mr. Morse : Remonstrance of Barney Strobe and 42 other residents of Gratiot county, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 675. By Mr. Ransom : Petition of Sala Smith and 40 others, voters and freeholders in the township of Grand Rapids, asking that the corporate limits of the city of Grand Rapids be extended one-half mile farther east into said township of Grand Rapids ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 676. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance and protest of Rev. Joseph Wood, of Lansing, against the passage of a law to tax church property used for religious purposes.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in session assembled :

The undersigned, a citizen of the State of Michigan, and a minister of the Church of God, residing in the city of Lansing, being informed that a certain bill has been introduced before your honorable body, to wit: "Senate bill No. 57, entitled 'A bill to amend section five of chapter twenty-one of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to assessment and collection of taxes, being consecutive section nine hundred and seventy-one; and that the purpose of said bill is to repeal the exemption from taxation, now enjoyed by all the houses of public worship, with the pews, or slips, and furniture therein; also the land on which such houses of worship may stand, so far as occupied by such houses of worship; and also, any parsonage owned and occupied as such by any religious society incorporated under the laws of this State,'" respectfully and earnestly remonstrates and protests against the passage of such bill for the following reasons:

1st. The privilege of exemption from taxation of church property is in agreement and harmony with the principles of religious freedom enunciated by the fathers of our federal government, incorporated in the National Constitution, and re-affirmed and proclaimed by the several States of the union;

2d. The withdrawal of the privilege so long enjoyed, and the imposition of taxes upon church property used for religious purposes, cannot be regarded other than as a direct attack upon religious freedom; the inauguration of intolerance, and a step towards the seizure, alienation, and confiscation of property set apart for sacred uses, in the protection of which are concerned the best interests and welfare of individuals and the State;

3d. The State cannot afford to become antagonistic to the church, nor strike a blow at christianity, the principles of which lie as the *substratum* and foundation of all order, law, and good government. The true relation of Church and State is one of independence, yet mutual helpfulness;

4th. Church property in actual use for religious purposes should be exempt from taxation, because it is not created, owned, or used for the pecuniary or temporal benefit of individuals;

5th. The religious and moral blessings and privileges derived and promoted by and through the agency of this species of property are not confined or limited to those who are directly interested in its ownership and use. All classes in society are benefited, and become partakers directly and indirectly of the bounty and liberality of the few who bear the burden of maintaining churches and propagating the gospel of Christ;

6th. It is neither equitable or just to ask those who are willing to build churches and sustain the good work of christian teaching for the moral, intellectual, and spiritual improvement of the people, to submit to an additional tax upon the means necessary to that end;

7th. The taxing of church property, in many cases, would take "the widow's mite," and operate to the *prohibition* of the public exercise of religion; church doors would be closed, and the voice of the preacher silenced; property would be seized, sold, and diverted to secular uses, for non-payment of taxes, on account of poverty, and numerous other causes;

8th. If hospitals, library, benevolent, charitable, and scientific institutions, the practical fruits and products of a christian civilization and enlightened religious

sentiment, are by law exempt from taxation, and are not to be taxed by the proposed bill, no reasonable ground can be urged for the taxation of christianity itself, by non-exemption of its churches, etc. The institutions above referred to, are necessary to the amelioration of the wants of human bodies; they are doing a good work, and it is wise that it should not be retarded by taxation. The church of God seeks to elevate man both in body and soul. She is the divine hospital for diseased and sin-stained souls. In her is treasured up and taught the wisdom and oracles of God. No institution is more kind, benevolent, and charitable; no learning more valuable to the immortal part of man than the unfolding of christian science, as taught in the church of God. Such a work should not be imperiled or caused to cease by being overburdened with taxes;

9th. Church property increases the value of surrounding property, and thereby adds to the revenues of the State. It therefore cannot be urged that its exemption from taxation, imposes, directly or indirectly, any burden on the people.

10th. A church planted in the wilderness, is the forerunner of civilization. In the town, it is the seed of growth and prosperity;

11th. The voluntary establishment and maintenance of churches by individuals and corporate societies, operates to the benefit of the community and the State, by reason of their conservative and restraining influences. As the moral and social atmosphere is improved, good order and loyalty to authority are promoted and maintained, vice and crime are lessened, pauperism is diminished, manifold evils and miseries are mitigated, and *thousands of dollars are saved to the people and the State*. Thus it may fairly be claimed that churches are indispensable to good government, and the welfare of society, and justly earn exemption from taxation;

12th. The large balance of more than *one million of dollars* in the treasury of the State does not plead a necessity for an increase of revenue, and more especially by taxing the houses of God, and placing an interdict upon the religion of Christ.

Trusting to the wisdom of your honorable body, and praying that no act shall be passed to abridge the religious freedom now enjoyed by the people of this State, I humbly reiterate my remonstrance, and protest against the bill above referred to, and in the interest of true religion and the welfare of my fellow men ask your protection by voting against its passage.

Very truly, &c.,

JOSEPH WOOD.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, *Lansing, Mich., March 5, 1875.*

The remonstrance was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 677. By Mr. Struble: Petition of Wm. P. Bennett, C. L. Morton, and 105 other citizens of Cass county, asking that the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools be not repealed;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 678. By Mr. Backus: Petition of Hon. Geo. L. Maltz, Mason, Luce & Co., Potter Bros. & Co., and 71 others, residents of Alpena county, asking for an appropriation of State swamp lands in aid of the Alpena & Michigan Southern Railroad;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 679. By Mr. Mercer: Remonstrance of Albert Williams, Osmond Tower, and 107 other gentlemen of Ionia city, Mich., against the repeal of the prohib-

itory liquor law, and asking that the same be amended so as to be more stringent and effectual.

On demand of Mr. Mercer,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, in Legislature assembled :

The undersigned, citizens of the city of Ionia, in the county of Ionia, in the State of Michigan, believe that intemperance in the use of intoxicating liquors is the prolific source of a very large proportion of the wretchedness, pauperism, insanity, and crime in our commonwealth ; they also believe that the traffic in intoxicating beverages holds the relation of an efficient cause to drunkenness and its consequences, and they further believe, that while the prohibitory liquor law, now on the statute books of the State, is a good law in that it recognizes the duty of the State to prohibit this bad business, it is nevertheless seriously and radically defective in the means provided for its enforcement, and should be amended.

Therefore your petitioners pray you to amend the act entitled " An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," in the following particulars, to wit :

First. Amend section 4 by making the keeping of a bar, decanters, bottles, and the usual appliances for conducting the traffic in intoxicating beverages, and maintaining signs and other advertisements of such business, *prima facie* evidence of being a " common seller ;"

Second. Include beer and other fermented liquors in the same inhibitions with distilled spirits ;

Third. Provide for a State constabulary whose special duty it shall be to aid the local executive authorities in the execution of the law ;

Fourth. Provide that on conviction for the first and second offenses, the penalties, in addition to those already imposed, shall be thirty and sixty days respectively, in the county jail.

The remonstrance was referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 680. By Mr. Mercer: Remonstrance of Mrs. Albert Williams, Mrs. Geo. S. Cooper and 87 other ladies of Ionia, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 681. By Mr. Huggett: Petition of Oscar Bower and 92 other citizens of Eaton county requesting the Legislature to change their resolution asking Congress to grant each union soldier and sailor 160 acres of land, and have the resolution read \$200 in money in lieu thereof;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 682. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of Geo. T. Burns and 51 others, to promote the construction of a railway through the Menominee iron range;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 683. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of R. Stephensen and 106 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 684. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of A. J. Berrin and 29 others, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 685. By Mr. Gerriah; Petition of Charles K. Radcliffe, A. B. Kiame and

68 other citizens of Lake county, asking for money instead of land for union soldiers and sailors;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 686. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of B. M. Davis and 9 others against extending the limits of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 687. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Mortimer L. Smith and 17 others relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 688. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Eli Barkume and 22 others relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 689. By Mr. Cole: Petition of James H. Golden and others, relative to the fees of clerks of the circuit courts and registers in chancery;

Referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 690. By Mr. Churchill: Remonstrance of J. W. Glenny, C. Dietz and others, against the organization of Wilbur township, in the county of Iosco;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 691. By Mr. Armstrong: Petition of R. Strong and 34 others, of Nottawa, asking for the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies.

No. 692. By Mr. West: Petition of H. W. Guernsey and 55 other citizens of St. Joseph, Berrien county, asking that the present tax of three per cent levied on the gross premiums of fire insurance companies of other States doing business in this State be changed to three per cent on the net premiums;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 693. By Mr. Northrop: Remonstrance of 113 citizens of Wayne county against the alteration of the present game law of this State in any respect, except for the protection of wild pigeons;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 694. By Mr. Sweetland: Petition of David White, Rodrick Van Ness, and 25 other citizens of Howard, Cass county, Mich., asking that the prohibitory liquor law be not repealed, but amended so as to aid in enforcing the same;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

Mr. Watkins, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on public lands be authorized to act with the railroad committee in considering the bill asking for an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad to the "Menominee iron range." Also a similar bill in reference to the "Alpena & Southwestern railroad;"

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 450, entitled

A bill to further amend section 12 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Detroit," approved February 24, 1869, as amended by "An act relative to schools," approved March 27, 1873; the same being act No. 331, of the session laws of 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Edward A. Durant,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the transfer of certain moneys from the sinking fund to the general fund,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 505, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and taxation of railroad lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on University and Normal School:

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred House bill No. 518, entitled

A bill to provide for an appropriation to enable the Board of Regents to establish and maintain a Dental School in connection with the Medical Department of the State University,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on University and Normal School:

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred House bill No. 385, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan," and to repeal an act entitled "An act to extend aid to the University of Michigan, approved March 15, 1867, being sections 3506 and 3507 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," the same being act number 33 of the Session Laws of 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred House bill No. 289, entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of LaCroix, in Emmet county, to Cross Village,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 189, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Frost,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 331, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the opening and improvement of roads on the line of adjoining townships," approved March 19, 1863, being section 1214 of chapter 23 of Compiled Laws of 1871, and add three new sections thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the Asylum for the Insane:

The committee on the Asylum for the Insane, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the village of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Howard street,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. W. VAN AKEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 199, entitled

A bill to authorize George Abrams to construct a dam and maintain head gates at the outlet of Wall Lake in the township of Hope in the county of Barry, and to construct a race,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

House bill No. 295, entitled

A bill to authorize the county of Cheboygan to issue bonds for the improvement of Cheboygan river harbor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. WILSON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on insurance:

The committee on insurance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 18, entitled

A bill relative to the organization and powers of stock, fire, and marine insurance companies transacting business within this State, and repeal chapter 45 and chapter 99 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 and acts No. 52 and 149 of the session laws of 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 401, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Michigammi,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. B. POTTER, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 532, entitled

A bill to provide for the distribution of the laws regulating the general elections, and the registration of voters,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. HUBBARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public health :

The committee on public health, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils, manufactured from petroleum or coal oils,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN B. SWEETLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public health :

The committee on public health, to whom was referred

House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to compel manufacturers and venders of patent medicines and medical compounds not patented to print on all bottles and packages of such medicines and compounds a full and complete recipe therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN B. SWEETLAND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education to whom was referred

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for a county superintendent of schools,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be placed upon the order of third reading, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the report by ordering the bill printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon adopting the report as amended;

The same was adopted.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 277, entitled

A bill to provide for a uniformity of text books in the public schools of Gratiot county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. J. WEST, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to exempt mutual benefit and co-operative associations from the provisions of sections 10 and 29 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, and to add three new sections thereto to stand as sections 27, 28, and 29," approved April 5, 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the farther consideration of the subject, for the following reasons:

The bill designs to permit certain mutual benefit and co-operative associations to do a life insurance business without any deposit of securities or guarantees of good faith, now wisely required of life insurance corporations organized by the laws of, or doing business in this State.

Life insurance companies, organized by the laws of this State, are now required to deposit \$100,000 with the State treasurer of this State for the security of policy-holders. This deposit is made available to the policy-holder by the provisions of the act requiring it. We regard such provision as one eminently proper, both for the security of policy-holders, and for the perpetuity of the company.

Such a deposit is an act of good faith on the part of the company, and an evidence of their belief in their capacity to execute the trusts confided in them.

We can see no good reason for compelling one class of corporations to make deposits, value their policies, and otherwise conduct business on principles which have been tested and proved to be safe and sound, and of allowing another class of corporations that undertake similar trusts to prosecute their business without those safeguards which are essential not only to success, but absolutely necessary to solvency.

If mutual benefit and co-operative associations desire to do a benevolent and

charitable work, the law has already provided the way under chapter CV., Compiled Laws of 1871.

It is the opinion of the committee that no innovations should be made on the life insurance laws, that would in any way lower the standard of solvency now required of life insurance companies, or that would permit corporations of any kind to carry on business under the guise of life insurance, except upon sound principles and under the restrictions now imposed by law.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on University and Normal School:

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred

House bill No. 384, entitled

A bill to prohibit the State Treasurer from paying over to the Board of Regents of the University of Michigan any moneys appropriated by any law of this State until the said Board of Regents shall have complied with the provision of act number 63 of the Session Laws of 1873, being an act to provide for the appointment of two professors of homœopathy in the department of medicine of the University of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 31, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the issue of a patent to William Lavarneway, upon primary school land certificate No. 5064,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the joint resolution when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

House bill No. 235, entitled

A bill for the relief of James C. Brand,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying

amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 3, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day signed, approved, and deposited with the Secretary of State.

An act to organize the township of Cove, in Keweenaw county;

An act to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Elmira.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, February 19, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State,

An act to organize the county of Baraga, and locate the county seat.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing March 5, 1875. }

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives:

In accordance with the provisions of a joint resolution "to facilitate the purchase of the unmatured bonds of the State," approved January 29th, 1875, I have the honor to report that the notice required in said resolution was published in the New York Daily Times, the Wall Street Journal, and the New York Journal of Commerce, in the city of New York, and in the Detroit Daily Post, Detroit Daily Tribune, and the Detroit Daily Free Press. I also addressed a copy of the advertisement to the principal banks, bankers, capitalists, and life and fire insurance companies in the Eastern and New England States, and have received in reply but two proposals for the sale of unmatured bonds; one from the Rochester Savings Bank of Rochester, New York, for the sale of \$66,000, and one from the Ætna Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., for the sale of \$16,000. By and with the advice and consent of the board of fund commissioners, these

bonds (\$82,000), were purchased and cancelled. The premium paid for the same was \$3,313.14.

Very respectfully,
WM. B. McCREERY,
State Treasurer.

The communication was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR:—In reply to a resolution of the House, adopted February 23d, I have the honor to state, that from lands that have gone on to the "five year list," there has been credited to the counties on the books of this office, taxes and interest amounting to \$278,571 96.

There has been charged back to counties on account of lands sold on the "five year lists," \$225,501 62.

Excess of credits to counties over amount charged back, \$53,070 34.

Under section 124 of the tax law, the amount charged to the counties at each tax sale, is the difference between the sum at which the lands sold under said section were originally bid to the State and the amount for which they were sold.

The amount of original bids to the State on lands on the "five year lists," undisposed of at the tax sales in October, 1874, was, for the several counties, \$6,777 18.

Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled "An act to authorize and empower the Board of Control of State Swamp Lands to make an appropriation of State Swamp Lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Straits of Mackinaw to Marquette harbor, on Lake Superior," and of the act amendatory thereof, approved March 24, 1874;

Which has passed the Senate by a two-thirds vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on railroads and public lands jointly.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Ransom moved to take from the table,
House bill No. 255, entitled

A bill to amend section 137, of chapter 136, compiler's section 3696, of Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act in relation to primary schools;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Hulbert moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill for the more effectual protection of workmen, miners, and laborers and others employed in mines and quarries in this State;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Klein offered the following:

Resolved, That this House hereafter will meet at 9½ A. M.;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed to wait on Prof. R. C. Kedzie, of the Agricultural College, and invite him to deliver a lecture in this Hall on chemistry, its application to practical agriculture and the laws of health, on some evening mutually convenient to the Legislature and himself;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed as such committee Messrs. Copley and Greiner.

Mr. Morse offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on education are hereby discharged from further consideration of all bills relating to the various projects for the supervision of common schools, and that those bills be printed and made the special order for Thursday, March 11th, at 7½ o'clock P. M.;

Which was adopted, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Townsend in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills and joint resolution:

1. House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to legalize the acts of the Riverside Cemetery Company of Hastings;

2. House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869;

3. House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the first ward of the city of Muske-

gon, in the county of Muskegon, and the taxes apportioned on the basis thereof, for the year 1874 ;

4. House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

A joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office or other proper officer, to convey the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section No. 16, in township No. 5 south, of range No. 2 east, to Joseph R. Smith, assignee of primary school land certificate No. 1616 ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

URIEL TOWNSEND, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The three bills and the joint resolution were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. I. Green moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Howard moved to amend by making the time 2 o'clock P. M. ;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Curry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bradfield until Monday noon.

Mr. Daly asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Livingstone for the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McLachlin for the afternoon.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday forenoon.

Mr. Ocobock asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday forenoon.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly entolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo ;

2. House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the "Independent Order of Philanthropists ;"

3. House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to annex township 41 north, of range 33 west, to the township of Menominee ;

4. House bill No. 107, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska ;

5. House bill No. 123, entitled .

A bill to authorize railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

The House resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Hulbert in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled
“Primary Schools;”

2. House bill No. 284, entitled

A bill to provide for the labeling of matches;

3. House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled “An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science,” being sections 2110, 2111, and 2112, of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills:

4. House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to provide for the return and settlement of tax sales of county treasurers,” being section 1136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

5. House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to require railroad companies to notify the commissioner of railroads and coroners of accidents occurring on their roads, and the investigation of the same;

6. House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 18, and 20 of an act entitled “An act to incorporate the village of Farmington;”

7. House bill No. 308, entitled

A bill to prevent the insuring of any buildings or personal property belonging to the State or to any State institution supported wholly or in part by appropriations made by the State;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

EDWIN J. HULBERT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the three bills first named,

Mr. VanAken demanded a division of the question, so that the question on concurring in the amendment made to the first named bill be taken separately.

Mr. VanAken demanded the yeas and nays on the question of concurring in such amendment.

The demand was seconded, and the amendment was not concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow, Benedict, Budlong, Campbell, Curry, Dow, Ferguson,	Mr. Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Howard, Huggett, Hulbert,	Mr. Klein, Lee, Ludington, Moshier, Parker, Robbins,	Mr. Smith, Sweetland, Towne, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood,
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Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Berk, Billings, Briggs, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Daly,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hubbard, Keyes, Kilbourne, Lay,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Ooobock, Packard, Ranney, Reed, Stephens, Stowe, Struble,	Mr. Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, West, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker
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The bill was then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the second and third named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the two bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to respectfully request the House to return to the Senate

Senate bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to organize the 10th judicial circuit, and create the 21st judicial circuit.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hertzler moved that the committee on judiciary be requested to report the bill back to the House.

Which motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent, the following report was made:

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to re-organize the 10th judicial circuit, and create the 21st judicial circuit,

Respectfully return the same, in accordance with the request of the House.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The request of the Senate for a return of the bill was granted.

Mr. Kilbourne, by unanimous consent, moved that the committee on municipal corporations be discharged from further consideration of

House bill No. 399, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw, Mich. ;

Which motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent, the following report was made :

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 399, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw, Mich.,

Respectfully report the same back to the House, in accordance with the request for the same.

MARSHALL REED, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was laid on the table, and ordered printed.

Mr. Kilbourne, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee on municipal corporations from the further consideration of

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing ;

Which motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent the following report was made :

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing,

Report the same back in accordance with the request of the House for the same.

MARSHALL REED, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was laid on the table and ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, March 8, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Carpenter.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave : Messrs. Livingstone, Mercer, Preston, Stephens, Taylor, and Watkins.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Preston for the day.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stephens for the forenoon.

Mr. Daly asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Livingstone indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Berk asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Watkins for the forenoon.

Mr. Gerrish asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Mercer for the forenoon.

Mr. Briggs asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Taylor for the forenoon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 695. By Mr. Hewitt : Petition of O. F. Guy, A. J. Tiffany, Addison Lacore, Israel Wicks and numerous other citizens of Hillsdale county, asking that the school law in reference to appeals from the board of school inspectors may be taken outside of parties interested in the formation or alteration of school districts ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 696. By Mr. Cole : Petition of J. A. Whitmore and 257 others of Wexford county, asking that the township of Cleon may be detached therefrom and attached to the county of Manistee.

On demand of Mr. Cole.

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

We, the undersigned citizens of Wexford county, do most respectfully petition your honorable bodies for the passage of the bill now pending before the House of Representatives, detaching the township of Cleon from the county of Wexford and attaching the same to the county of Manistee, for the following, among other reasons : That the township of Cleon was attached to Wexford county without the consent and against the wishes of a large majority of the tax-payers of both Manistee and Wexford counties, and is a hideous deformity to both counties ; that it is by location a part of Manistee county, and cannot with any degree of symmetry ever be placed elsewhere.

We would also petition you that you do not pass any bill legalizing the act of the Legislature of 1878 annexing said township to this county, which bill has been introduced by Mr. Ferguson from this county, against our wishes and interests, and which we do not wish done.

That we protest against each and every act by the Legislature organizing new townships within our county, as such matters should be left wholly with our own board of supervisors, who know most about the matter. And your petitioners will ever pray.

The petition was referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 697. By Mr. Goodyear : Remonstrance of Levi Holmes, Henry Barnum, John J. Fuller, Anson Wood and 88 others, remonstrating against the passage of a bill now pending, relative to the organization of certain school districts in Barry county ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 698. By Mr. Morse : Petition of A. A. Wood and 174 other citizens of Gratiot county, asking that the resolution instructing members of Congress to urge the passage of a bill giving to each soldier and sailor 160 acres of land, be changed so as to give each soldier and sailor \$200 in a new issue of legal tender notes redeemable in coin ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 699. By Mr. Parker : Petition of N. N. Wilson, M. M. Bliss, H. Schroder and 57 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 700. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of many citizens against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 701. By Mr. Kilbourne : Remonstrance of David Ekstein and 95 others on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was re-committed

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, of Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means :

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 28, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the State Treasurer to settle with all persons heretofore engaged in mining iron ore in the county of Marquette, for the specific taxes due from such persons at the same rate required by law to be paid by corporations,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 344, entitled

A bill to authorize and direct the Auditor General to credit to Gratiot county, the amount of delinquent ditch tax remaining unpaid, and assessed to towns in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of chapter 244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to an attempt to murder by poisoning, drowning, or strangling,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to audit and allow traveling expenses to the circuit judges,

With instructions to report a substitute therefor proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for an increase of the salaries of circuit judges,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Presque Isle, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of "Posen,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on agriculture:

The committee on agriculture, to whom was referred

House bill No. 278, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and two of an act entitled "An act to ascertain the annual cereal products of the State of Michigan," approved February 14, 1859, being sections 804 and 805 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and to add three new sections thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. J. WEST, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to re-return to the House the following:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act supplementary to an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit,'" approved February 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city;

Which the House amended as follows:

1. Amend section 1 by inserting after the word "that," in line 2, the words "sections one, two, and three of."

2. By inserting before the word "amended," in line 8 of the same section, the words "and is hereby."

3. By inserting before the word "that," in recited section 1, the words "Section 1. The People of the State of Michigan enact."

4. By inserting in line 25 of the same section before the words "All members" the words "Section 2."

5. By striking out all of Section 11.

6. By inserting the word "April" in lieu of the word "May" where it occurs in lines 47 and 61 of recited Section 1.

7. By adding to Section 2 the following: All official acts of said Board of

Estimates performed or done on or subsequent to the first day of March, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and before the passage of this act, are hereby declared to be as legal and valid as the same would have been if done under the provisions of this amendatory act;"

And to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the second, third, fourth, sixth, and seventh of said amendments, and has non-concurred in the first and fifth of said amendments.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Klein,

The House receded from the first and fifth amendments, in which the Senate non-concurred.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Howard moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the transfer of certain moneys from the sinking fund to the general fund;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Robbins moved that the committee on judiciary be authorized to act with the committee on military affairs, in the consideration of

Senate bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the State militia for services rendered, under a call of the Governor, in Marquette county, in 1874;

Which motion prevailed.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Billings in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Republic, in Marquette county;

2. House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 26, being section 1250 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads;

3. House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Roscommon in said county;

4. House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to repeal act number 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to amend act number 76, of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State

Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867, by adding six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 ;"

5. House bill No. 183, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 51 of the session laws of 1872, entitled "An act to amend sections 15 and 18 of act No. 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to amend act No. 76 of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867,' by adding six new sections thereto to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19," approved April 5th, 1869 ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

6. House bill No. 329, entitled

A bill to authorize the counties of Marquette, Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Keweenaw to purchase such descriptions of lands situated in said counties offered for sale at the annual State tax sales, known as State tax land sales, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes ;

7. House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Saginaw county and the city of Saginaw, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of lands situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes ;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, with the recommendation that they be re-committed to the committee on ways and means with instructions to amend the same so as to make a general law applicable to the whole State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

8. House bill No. 170, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 17 of "An act to create a board of State Swamp Land Commissioners, and to repeal act number 76 of the session laws of 1867," being sections 4003 and 419 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

9. House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Houghton in the unorganized county of Roscommon ;

10. House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of "Echo ;"

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

SIMEON R. BILLINGS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The five bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the sixth and seventh named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were re-committed to the committee on ways and means.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the eighth, ninth, and tenth named bills,

Mr. Briggs demanded a division of the question, so that the question on concurring in the amendments made to the eighth named bill be taken separately, and that the question on concurring in the two amendments to said bill be taken separately.

The question being on concurring in the amendment by which the committee of the whole struck out the word "eight," where it occurs in line three of recited section 4003, and inserted in lieu thereof the word "five,"

Mr. Parker demanded the yeas and nays:

The demand was seconded, and the amendment was not concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Klein,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	Lay,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Harden,	Mercer,	Walton,
Campbell,	Harris,	Metcalf,	I. P. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Whitney,
Cole,	Howland,	Packard,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Wood,
Daly,			

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NAYS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Taylor,
Berk,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Towne,
Briggs,	Howard,	Neff,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Parker,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	West,
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Ludington,	Struble,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

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The question being on concurring in the amendment by which the committee of the whole struck out the words "one clerk," in line 5 of recited section 4003,

Mr. Potter demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the amendment was concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stowe,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Struble,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Wilson,

Mr. Daly,
Dow,
Ferguson,

Mr. Hull,
Keyes,
Klein,

Mr. Reed,
Robbins,
Smith,

Mr. Wood,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. I. Green,

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The bill was then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the ninth and tenth named bills,

The same were concurred in and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Towne,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock, P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Campbell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bartow until Thursday forenoon.

The House resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Hunt in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing during the months of December, January, February, and March, in the inland lakes in the county of Oceana;

2. House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Holland,' being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April second, 1873;

3. House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill relative to union school district No. 1 of the city of Jackson;

4. House bill No. 433, entitled

A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations, within this State;

5. Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State Public School for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871, and to add two new sections to said act, to be known as sections 20 and 21;

6. House bill No. 247, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act authorizing circuit courts in

chancery, in the county of Wayne, to refer causes pending in chancery to special commissioners, being compiler's sections 5190 and 5191 of chapter 176 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

7. House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment rolls, tax lists, and official returns of the township of Cleon, in Wexford county, for the years 1873 and 1874 ;

8. House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature ;

9. House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee, and attach the same to the county of Wexford ;

10. Senate bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 6918, being section seven of chapter two hundred and eighteen of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

11. House bill No. 449, entitled

A bill to authorize the several townships of Bay county, and Bay City, in said county, to purchase the descriptions of land situated in said city or townships offered for sale at the annual tax sales, known as State tax lands, which have remained unsold for five years or more after being bid off to the State for non-payment of taxes,

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on ways and means with instructions to amend the same so as to make a general law applicable to the whole State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

12. House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 48 of chapter 18 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive section 875, relative to the militia ;

13. House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 239, being section 7442 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the fees of witnesses in civil cases in courts of record ;

14. House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns and other dangerous devices ;

12. House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled " An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

CLEVELAND HUNT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The ten bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the eleventh named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was re-committed to the committee on ways and means.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the twelfth, thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth named bills,

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred in the same, and the bills were then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 9, 1876.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wilkins.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. I. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Berk indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Sweetland asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for next Saturday and Monday.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for part of the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 702. By Mr. Little: Petition of J. B. Graham and 75 resident taxpayers, for appropriation of non-resident taxes for improvement of wagon road, in Saginaw and Gratiot counties;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 703. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 14 residents of Sanilac county, against any change in the boundary of said county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 704. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 44 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 705. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 63 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 706. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 74 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 707. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 5 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 708. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of 60 other citizens of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 709. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of 24 other citizens of Sanilac county on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 710. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of 97 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 711. By Mr. Hertzler : Remonstrance of E. G. Morton and 48 other citizens of Monroe county, against any change in the laws of the State affecting taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 712. By Mr. Hertzler : Remonstrance of James York and 30 other citizens of Monroe, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 713. By Mr. Hertzler : Remonstrance of Wm. Steiner and 43 other citizens of Monroe, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 714. By Mr. Backus : Petition of S. E. Hitchcock, E. Harrington, and 32 other residents of Alpena county, for an appropriation of State swamp lands in aid of the Alpena & Michigan Southwestern R. R. ;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 715. By Mr. Backus : Petition of N. H. Briggs, G. L. Crawford, and 31 others, residents of Montcalm county, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 716. By Mr. Lee : Petition of Michael Kitchline, R. E. Walker, and 47 others, praying for an amendment to the act relative to plank roads.

On demand of Mr. Lee,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Hon. the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned, residents of the township of Hamtramck, in the county of Wayne, and State of Michigan, most respectfully represent that the Detroit and Mount Clemens Plank Road, better known as the Fort Gratiot Plank, was constructed under an act passed about the year 1848 ; that the travel upon said road has increased, from year to year, until the travel upon said road is from one-third greater than upon any other road leading into the city of Detroit ; that about twelve hundred vehicles pass through the first toll-gate, upon said road, daily ; that the road-bed upon said road is barely sixteen feet in width, in many places, and the culverts upon said road are but sixteen feet in length, and that Connor's creek bridge, but five miles and a half from the city of Detroit, is but sixteen feet in width ; that frequently, during each day, a string of from ten to thirty teams, following close upon each other, may be seen upon said road ; that in many places, it is absolutely impossible to pass such a string of teams, without danger to property, if not to life ; that a short time ago there was a collision upon said road, occasioned by the narrow road-bed, and one of the parties was thrown from his wagon, against a post, and killed ; that, at another time, previous, a man driving in to the city of Detroit with a load of wood, was thrown from his load by a passing load of hay, and his wagon passed over him, injuring him fatally ; that in the winter-time the said road becomes almost im-

passable, the immense amount of travel upon said road packs the snow, and wagons and sleds are constantly upsetting into the ditches, on either side; that outgoing teams are often compelled to wait upon the wider portions of the road until incoming teams have passed such point; that under the present Plank Road law, plank road companies are only required to construct a road-bed of sixteen feet in width; that owing to the large amount of travel upon plank roads leading into large cities, a road-bed sixteen feet in width is too narrow for the convenience and safety of the traveling public, and roads of that width seriously impede travel and endanger the lives of travelers.

Your petitions, therefore, believing it to be in the power of your body to so amend the act under which these plank road companies are organized as to compel them, so long as they shall continue to exact toll of the traveling public, to make provision for the convenience and safety of such traveling public, pray that the act entitled "An act relative to plank roads," may be so amended as to require the said companies to widen their road-bed whenever and wherever, upon the proper application to the proper tribunal, it shall appear that the public good and safety require it.

And your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

The petition was referred to the committees on private corporations and roads and bridges, jointly.

No. 717. By Mr. C. Brown: Remonstrance of A. N. Harding, Andrew Kerr, and 50 others, against the repeal of the law exempting church property from taxation;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 718. By Mr. Dow: Remonstrance of D. Dowling, John Chase, and 35 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 719. By Mr. Moshier: Remonstrance of Albert Fletcher, A. S. Sadler, and 57 others, citizens of Genesee county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 720. By Mr. Moshier: Remonstrance of Geo. A. Fletcher, J. B. Cochran, and 14 other citizens, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 721. By Mr. D. Keyes: Memorial of the Northern Lenawee Council of Patrons of Husbandry, for the protection of sheep from raids of dogs.

On demand of Mr. Keyes,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, officers of the Northern Lenawee Council of the Patrons of Husbandry, on behalf of our Granges, respectfully petition your honorable body to adopt some measures for the effectual protection of the numerous flocks of valuable sheep within our State from the raids of dogs, which are becoming more and more discouraging to the increase of the highly important sheep-growing and wool-producing interest.

As a mode of protection that certainly will not conflict with the constitution, nor with the rights of any reasonable citizen, we earnestly recommend,

1st. That all dogs running at large, and not under the eye of their owners, shall be effectually muzzled.

2d. That after due public notice given by the respective supervisors of the town, it shall be the duty of the constables in person, or by such assistants as they may appoint, to kill all dogs found away from their homes without their masters, and without being securely muzzled as aforesaid, and said constables to be paid for their services or fined for neglect of their duty, as aforesaid.

3d. To make it legal for any person to kill dogs found running at large without muzzles, or without being on immediate attendance, or under the supervision of their owners.

We ask protection against the raids of dogs, not only as a matter of public interest, but as a measure of humanity. There is no more pitiable sight than that presented by a flock of sheep after a night attack from dogs; to comprehend our feelings on the subject the scene must be witnessed; we leave our sheep in the evening quiet, peaceful, and apparently as happy, and assuredly as innocent, as a lot of children; in the morning we find them covered with blood, with the dead all around us, and others unable to rise, shockingly mangled, bleeding, dying, and looking up piteously, as though asking us, "What have we done to meet such a fate?"

This is no fancy sketch; we have witnessed such scenes again and again, and every flock in the State is liable to suffer similarly from dogs any day or night.

M. A. PATTERSON, President,
WM. H. OSBORN, Macon Grange,
J. G. ROBERTS, Tecumseh Grange,
CARROLL ROBERTS, Tipton Grange,
W. J. HOLDRIDGE, Raisin Grange,
JOHN RICHARD, Purchasing Agent.

ALBERT A. KENNEDY,

Secretary Northern Lenawee Grange Union.

The memorial was referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 722. By Mr. Craig: Remonstrance of Cornelius Corbett and 7 others, against taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 723. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Hyacinth Riopelle against the extension of the limits of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 724. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Henry Hogerty and 13 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 725. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Richard Beaubien and 29 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 726. By Mr. Mercer: Remonstrance of C. H. Noll, W. B. Wells, and 23 others, citizens and legal voters of Ionia city, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but favoring amendments to increase their stringency;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 727. By Mr. Mercer: Remonstrance of Wm. H. Chaddock, A. W. Jenkins, and 28 others, of Lyons, Ionia county, on the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 728. By Mr. Mercer: Remonstrance of Mrs. E. Chaddock, Mrs. E. S. Knapp, and 20 other ladies of Lyons, Ionia county, on the same subject;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 729. By Mr. Bailey: Remonstrance of Rev. S. Bird, and 200 others, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 730. By Mr. McLachlin: Remonstrance of J. D. Conlisk, L. Lafountain, E. A. Peltier, and 42 others, of Monroe county, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees of ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 731. By Mr. McLachlin: Petition of Hull DeLand, Joseph Bradford, A. C. Dunbar, and 41 others, of Monroe county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 732. By Mr. Houston: Petition of James Wells and 9 others, for the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 733. By Mr. Houston: Petition of George R. McKay and 55 others, for a law for the taxing of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 734. By Mr. Sweetland: Remonstrance of Rev. J. P. Preston, H. B. Mead, and 59 others of Cass county, Mich., against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but in favor of its amendment ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 735. By Mr. Sutton: Petition of Silas H. Douglas, President James B. Angell, and 20 other professors, in the University of Michigan, in relation to the sale of medicine and poisons.

On demand of Mr. Sutton,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned, citizens of Ann Arbor, and professors in the University of Michigan, most respectfully petition your honorable body to pass the bill to regulate the sale of medicines and poisons framed and recommended by the Michigan Pharmaceutical Association, deeming it a wise provision for the safety of the public that the dispensing of medicines and poisons be performed by educated and competent persons;

The petition was referred to the committee on public health.

No. 736. By Mr. Northrop: Petition of J. D. Yerkes in relation to supplying the medical class of the University with material for anatomy.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, imbued with an earnest desire that the medical class of the University of Michigan shall perfect themselves in all branches of knowledge that are essential to fit them for performing skillfully and successfully the duties pertaining to their profession, among which the anatomy of the human body is held to be first and foremost in importance, and regarding with the most serious concern the important relations that they in the practice of that profession sustain to human life; and recognizing the justice of those laws designed to protect humanity from ignorance on the part of medical practitioners. Your attention is directed to the fact that no adequate provision has been made for supplying

material by means of which a knowledge of the human anatomy can be obtained, and for want of skill in that department of their profession they are held to a strict accountability. In view of these facts, and in the interests of science, humanity, and justice, and for the purpose of preventing in the future such violations of the sanctity of the grave as have lately excited the public indignation, your petitioner respectfully prays that it be enacted by your honorable body, that on the demise of any graduate or student of the medical department of the University, his or her body shall be donated to the University to be used in the dissecting room in the interest of medical science.

For the above your petitioner would ever pray.

J. D. YERKES.

The petition was referred to the committee on public health.

No. 737. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of A. Sheley, and 39 others, citizens of Detroit, against changing the police laws of Detroit;

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned citizens and tax payers of the city of Detroit respectfully represent to your honorable bodies,

That the system of metropolitan police for this city, as established by act of the Legislature of February 28th, 1865, and re-established and confirmed by act of April 17th, 1871, is not open to objection in its practical operations.

That the officers and men have been and are, as a rule, in the faithful discharge of their duties, and are free from taint of corruption.

That the discipline of the force is well sustained and administered, and that the system can not be improved by any change of the law, which will transfer the government of the force from the State to local or municipal agencies, and it is liable to very serious deterioration by any such changes.

Judge Cooley said in substance in the case of the people against Mahaney, in 1865:

The people of Detroit are by the act really represented throughout. They are represented in the Legislature which passed the act, and had the same proportionate voice there with the other municipalities in the State, all of which receive from that body their powers of local government, and such only as its wisdom shall prescribe within the constitutional limit.

Judge Campbell wrote in 1871, in the case of the people against Hurlbut, as follows:

"The general purposes of the police act were such as appertain directly to the suppression of crime and the administration of justice. There is, therefore, no constitutional reason for holding it to be other than a regulation of matters pertaining to the State, and subject to State management."

The undersigned respectfully remonstrate against any legislation changing the present system, which is working to the satisfaction of our people, and to which there is no objection upon principle.

While we recognize the right and duty of municipalities to control matters purely municipal, we conceive with the able jurist above named that it is better for the police force to be independent of direct local influence.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 738. By Mr. Parker: Protest of Mrs. F. Gorton and 124 ladies of Genesee county, against the repeal of the prohibitory law;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 739. By Mr. Hulbert: Petition of citizens and taxpayers of Isle Royal county to be attached to Houghton for representative purposes.

On demand of Mr. Hulbert,

The petition was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned, having large real and personal interests in the Island of Isle Royal, Lake Superior, respectfully ask that the island be attached to Houghton county for the purposes of representation in the State Legislature, etc.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The petition was laid on the table.

No. 740. By Mr. Watkins: Remonstrance of A. Hazlewood, Miles G. Randall, W. Bemis, Geo. C. Nelson, and 45 others, citizens of Kent county, against the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual co-operative societies.

On demand of Mr. Watkins,

The remonstrance was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned citizens of Kent county, respectfully petition your honorable body not to pass the "Senate bill," entitled "A bill to facilitate the organization of Mutual Benefit and Co-operative Associations within this State," or any other bill that will enable mutual benefit and co-operative associations to organize and do business under the guise of life insurance, without the deposit of securities, and under the restrictions of law now imposed upon corporations which do a life insurance business.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

No. 741. By Mr. Watkins: Remonstrance of W. H. Pierce, W. D. Smith, J. R. Morton, C. D. Lyons, and 23 others of Kent county, on the same subject.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Carrollton to aid in the purchase or building of a bridge across the Saginaw river, to be thereafter maintained as a free bridge,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committee on University and Normal School, Agricultural College, and mines and minerals:

The joint committee on University and Normal School, Agricultural College, and mines and minerals, to whom was referred

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to organize a school of mines in the University of Michigan, the establishment of additional professorships, and making appropriations for maintenance of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR,

Chairman of the committee on University and Normal School.

A. B. COPLEY,

Chairman of the committee on Agricultural College.

EDWIN J. HULBERT,

Chairman of the Committee on mines and minerals.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 309, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Port Huron," approved Feb. 15, 1859, and acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

MARSHALL REED, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a resolution of the House instructing them to report the amount of mileage due each of the members and officers of the House of Representatives,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report herewith the amount due Chas. A. Chapin, assistant engrossing and enrolling clerk, at 160 miles.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The report was adopted.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 520, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a municipal court in the city of Detroit, to be called the Superior Court of Detroit," approved March 28, 1873, so as to enlarge the jurisdiction of said court,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 166, entitled

A bill to amend section 186 of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 93 of the Revised Statutes of 1846," entitled "Of courts held by Justices of the Peace," approved February 13, 1865, being section 5454 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 19, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution relative to the salaries of judges of the circuit courts;

Also,

House joint resolution No. 25, entitled

Joint resolution to amend Article IX. of the constitution of this State, relating to the salary of judges of the circuit courts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Bismarck,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong.

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, in accordance with a resolution passed March 5, report back

House bill No. 502, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 7, and 9 of an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools, and to amend section 91, and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90 of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws," approved March 13, 1867, and being sections 3759, 3761, 3762, and 3764 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Also,

House bill No. 540, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of chapter 12, being sections 648 and 649 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and also to add eight new sections to chapter 136 of Compiled Laws of 1871, to stand as sections 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92 and 93 of said chapter, relating to school inspectors,

And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bills were ordered printed, and made the special order for Thursday the 11th of March, at 7½ o'clock P. M., in accordance with a resolution of the House.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 528, entitled

A bill to provide for the enlarging and consolidating of school districts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 542, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of an act to authorize and encourage the formation of corporations to establish rural cemeteries and to provide for the care and maintenance thereof, approved February 19, 1869, being sections 3420 and 3421 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. KEYES, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on manufactures:

The committee on manufactures, to whom was referred

House bill No. 156, entitled

A bill for the incorporation of manufacturing companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. PRESTON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on manufactures:

The committee on manufactures, to whom was referred

House bill No. 155, entitled

A bill to repeal sections 2836 to 2891 inclusive, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the organization of mining and manufacturing companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. E. PRESTON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 187, entitled

A bill to amend sections 11, 12, and 13 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 1788, 1789 and 1790 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the election of a township drain commissioner in each organized town, and to authorize him to locate, establish, and construct ditches, drains, and water-courses in his respective town, and to repeal all other drainage laws in relation thereto," approved April 13, 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on lumber and salt interests:

The committee on lumber and salt interests, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1461, 1462, 1465, 1476, 1480, 1496, and 1500, of the

Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections of the act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture, and provide for the inspection of salt,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

N. L. GERRISH, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred

House bill No. 480, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of chapter 12, being section 651 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to township meetings,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. HUBBARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prevent animals from running at large in the public highways," being section 4 of chapter 59, being section 2030 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee appointed in accordance with the resolution passed by the House on the 6th inst., inviting Prof. Kedzie of the State Agricultural College to deliver a lecture on chemistry, its application to practical agriculture and the laws of health, on some evening mutually convenient to the Legislature and himself, would respectfully report that they have conferred with the Professor, and he has accepted the invitation and proposed Tuesday evening, March 16, at 7 o'clock P. M., for the delivery of the lecture, and your committee would therefore recommend that the use of this hall be granted at that

time for the purpose above mentioned, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. OOPLEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The report of the committee was adopted.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 8, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Big Rapids ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was put upon the order of third reading of bills.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the State militia for services rendered under a call of the Governor, in Marquette county, in 1874 ;

2. Senate bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled " An act to extend certain rights and privileges to persons who are tax payers, but not qualified voters in school districts," approved Feb. 8, 1855, being compiler's section 3705 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on military affairs and judiciary jointly.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend section No. 1 of act No. 519, Session Laws of 1867, entitled
“An act to incorporate the village of Paw Paw,” approved March 28, 1867;

2. Senate bill No. 66, entitled

A bill for the relief and regulation of the educational, charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions of the State;

3. Senate bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Kalamo, Eaton county, to convey certain lands;

4. Senate bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to detach certain townships from the county of Schoolcraft, and attach the same to the township of Chocoy, in the county of Marquette,

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The fourth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 6, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out from and including the word “that” in line 1, section 1, to and including the word “commissioner” in line 2, and inserting in lieu thereof “The Governor shall appoint a commissioner, who shall have,”

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Preston,
Bailey,	Dow,	Lay,	Ranney,
Benjamin,	Eggleston,	Lee,	Ransom,
Billings,	Ferguson,	Little,	Reed,
Bradfield,	Garfield,	Livingstone,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Schattler,
E. A. Brown,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Campbell,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Churchill,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
A. K. Clark,	Harden,	Morse,	Towne,
F. O. Clark,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Cole,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Houston,	Northrop,	Watkins,
Craig,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Speaker, 60

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Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. Sweetland,	Mr. Whitney,
Harris,	Potter,	Walton,	Wiley,
Keyes,	Stephens,	I. P. Wheeler,	Wood, 12

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Plainwell, in the county of Allegan," approved March 26, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stowe,
Backus,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Strable,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walton,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Potter,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Schattler,	Wood,

Mr. Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Little, Livingstone,	Mr. Smith, Stephens,	Mr. Speaker,	
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		NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Harden,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 172, entitled

A bill to legalize the acts of the Riverside Cemetery Company of Hastings,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, Greiner, Harden, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, West, L. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	
				79

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 242, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the first ward of the city of Muskegon, in the county of Muskegon, and the taxes apportioned upon the basis thereof for the year 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield,	Mr. Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland,
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Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Towne,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walton,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Preston,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Klein,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office or other proper officer, to convey the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section No. 16, in township No. 5 south, of range No. 2 east, to Joseph R. Smith, assignee of primary school land certificate No. 1616,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Huggett moved to amend by inserting after the word "authorize," in line 2 of the resolution, the following: "upon satisfactory proof of the matters set forth in the preamble ;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The joint resolution was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Garfield,	Little,	Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Billings,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
Cole,	Huggett,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wiley,

Mr. Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,

Mr. Hunt,
Keyes,
Klein,
Lay,

Mr. Ransom,
Reed,
Robbins,

Mr. Wilson,
Wood,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Reed,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 284, entitled

A bill to provide for the labeling of matches,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Parker moved to amend by inserting in line 2, of section 1, after the word "matches," the words "composed of phosphorus wholly or in part;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Kilbourne moved to amend section 1 by striking out of line 2. the words "for use in this State ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Livingstone moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

House bill No. 303, entitled

A bill to prevent the insuring of any buildings or personal property belonging to the State or to any State institution supported wholly or in part by appropriations made by the State,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Backus,
Bailey,
Benedict,
Benjamin,
Billings,
Bradfield,
Briggs,
C. Brown,
E. A. Brown,
Campbell,
Churchill,
A. K. Clark,
F. O. Clark,
Cole,
Copley,
Craig,

Mr. Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Garfield,
Gerrish,
Greiner,
Harden,
Harris,
Hertzler,
Hewitt,
Houston,
Howard,
Howland,
Hubbard,
Hull,
Hunt,

Mr. Keyes,
Kilbourne,
Lee,
Ludington,
McLachlin,
Mercer,
Meyer,
Morse,
Moshier,
Neff,
Ocobock,
Packard,
Preston,
Ranney,
Ransom,
Reed,
Robbins,

Mr. Schattler,
Stephens,
Stowe,
Struble,
Sweetland,
Taylor,
Townsend,
Van Aken,
Van Rualte,
Walton,
Watkins,
West,
Whitney,
Wiley,
Wilson,
Wood,

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NAYS.

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Sutton,
Goodyear,	Lay,	Parker,	Towne,
E. H. Green,	Little,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
I. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,	Speaker,
Huggett,			

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Backus moved that Mr. Churchill be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Churchill then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Klein moved that Mr. Livingstone be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Livingstone then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 263, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 18, and 20 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Farmington,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Briggs,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
C Brown,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Towne,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lay,	Schattler,	Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 281, entitled

A bill to require railroad companies to notify the commissioner of railroads and coroners of accidents occurring on their roads, and the investigation of the same,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Billings,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
O. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,
Craig,	Hull,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Schattler,	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 280, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the return and settlement of tax sales of county treasurers," being section 1136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
Craig,	Huggett,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lee,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science," being sections 2110, 2111, and 2112, of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Daly moved to amend section 2110 by striking out of line 4, the words "almshouse, poorhouse,"

Pending which,

Mr. Copley moved to re-commit the bill to the committee on public health, with instructions to consider the propriety of amending the bill by inserting in line 1, of recited section 2111, after the word "shipped," the following: "If the deceased person, during his last illness, requested to be buried, or,"

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on agreeing to the amendment,

Mr. Daly demanded the yeas and nays, on the question of agreeing thereto,

The demand was seconded, and the amendment was not agreed to, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Garfield,	Ludington,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Goodyear,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	I. Green,	Preston,	Walton,
Churchill,	Greiner,	Reed,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hertzler,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Craig,	Howland,	Shattler,	Speaker,
Curry,	Hubbard,		

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NAYS.

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Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Stowe,
Benjamin,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Houston,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Howard,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Northrop,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Klein,	Potter,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Ranney,	Wood,
E. H. Green,	Lee,	Ransom,	

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Mr. Potter moved to amend recited section 2110 by inserting in line 22 after the word "tendered," the words "or receiving ;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stowe,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Harden,	Little,	Sweetland,

Mr. Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, Budlong, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Eggleston,	Mr. Harris, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Huggett, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Klein,	Mr. McLachlin, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Northrop, Parker, Potter, Ranney, Ransom,	Mr. Taylor, Townsend, Van Raalte, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Wood,
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Campbell, Churchill, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Dow, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hertzler, Howland,	Mr. Hubbard, Livingstone, Ludington, Ocobock, Preston, Reed, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Struble, Towne, Van Aken, Walton, Whitney, Speaker,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Robbins moved that Mr. McLachlin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. McLachlin then voted as recorded above.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Moshier asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for to-morrow and the next day.

Mr. Northrop asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sweetland for the afternoon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the transfer of certain moneys from the sinking fund to the general fund,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin,	Mr. Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green, I. Green,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton,
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Mr. Billings,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Taylor,	
Briggs,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Towne,	
C. Brown,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,	
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Van Aken,	
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,	
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walton,	
Churchill,	Houston,	Northrop,	Watkins,	
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	West,	
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	L. P. Wheeler,	
Cole,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Whitney,	
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	Wiley,	
Craig,	Hull,	Ranney,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wood,	
Dow,	Keyes,	Reed,	Speaker,	79
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,		
NAYS.				

Mr. Potter,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Backus moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 257, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Republic, in Marquette county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Robbins,	
Backus,	Garfield,	Lay,	Schattler,	
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,	
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,	
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,	
Bradfield,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,	
Briggs,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,	
C. Brown,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Towne,	
E. A. Brown,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,	
Budlong,	Harris,	Morse,	Van Aken,	
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,	
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walton,	
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Watkins,	
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	West,	
Cole,	Howland,	Packard,	L. P. Wheeler,	
Copley,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Huggett,	Potter,	Wiley,	
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wood,	
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Speaker,	83
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,		

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Echo,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Smith,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Lee,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Little,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Struble,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Meyer,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Walton,
Churchill,	Houston,	Packard,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Whitney,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hunt,	Reed,	Wood,
Daly,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Dow,	Kilbourne,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 276, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 of chapter 26, being section 1259 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sutton,

Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Harden,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Taylor,	
Budlong,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,	
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,	
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,	
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,	
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,	
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Watkins,	
Copley,	Huggett,	Parker,	West,	
Craig,	Hull,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Curry,	Hunt,	Preston,	Whitney,	
Daly,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,	
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wilson,	
Eggleston,	Klein,	Reed,	Speaker,	81
Ferguson,				0

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

House bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Higgins, in the un-organized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Roscommon in said county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,	
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,	
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,	
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,	
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,	
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Struble,	
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,	
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Taylor,	
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,	
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,	
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Aken,	
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,	
Cole,	Howland,	Packard,	West,	
Copley,	Hubbard,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Craig,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,	
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,	
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wood,	
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>	78
Ferguson,	Klein,			0

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 150, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Houghton, in the unorganized county of Roscommon,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schuttler,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Smith,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Billings,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
O. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Badlong,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wood,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Eggleston,	Klein,		82

NAYS.

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Huggett moved to amend the title by striking out the word "Houghton," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Hulbert;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 196, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 155 of the Session Laws of 1869 entitled "An act to amend act No. 76 of the Session Laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867, by adding six new sections thereto, to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Schuttler,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Billings,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Struble,

Mr. Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Harden, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Lay,	Mr. Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed,	Mr. Sutton, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. F. O. Clark,
Title agreed to.

1

House bill No. 183, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 51 of the session laws of 1872, entitled "An act to amend sections 15 and 18 of act No. 155 of the session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to amend act No. 76 of the session laws of 1867, entitled 'An act for the appointment of a commissioner to be known as the Swamp Land State Road Commissioner,' approved March 21, 1867,' by adding six new sections thereto to stand as sections 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19," approved April 5, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown. E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Craig, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom,	Mr. Reed, Robins, Schattler, Smith, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. F. O. Clark,
Title agreed to.

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House bill No. 170, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 17 of "An act to create a board of State Swamp Land Commissioners, and to repeal act No. 76, of the session laws of 1867," being sections 4003 and 4009, of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Preston,
Backus,	Garfield,	Klein,	Ranney,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Ransom,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Reed,
Billings,	I. Green,	Little,	Robbins,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Briggs,	Hale,	Ludington,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Churchill,	Houston,	Metcalf,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Meyer,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Moshier,	West,
Craig,	Huggett,	Neff,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hull,	Northrop,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ocoboek,	Wilson,
Dow,	Keyes,	Parker,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Eggleston,			69

NAYS.

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Townsend,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Campbell,	Packard,	Walton,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Potter,		10

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Packard moved that Mr. Metcalf be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Metcalf then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing during the months of December, January, February, and March, in the inland lakes in the county of Oceana,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Campbell, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14, of chapter 88, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'" approved March 7, 1873;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Campbell,

The amendments were concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Schattler,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Billings,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Howard,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howland,	Neff,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hoyt,	Northrop,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Huggett,	Parker,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hull,	Potter,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hunt,	Preston,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson,	Lay,		70

NAYS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Sutton,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Ransom,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Keyes,	Smith,	11

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

House bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act relative to the costs of proceedings in criminal cases," approved March 13, 1849, being section 7489 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Ransom,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Klein,	Reed,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harden,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hoyt,	Ocobock,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Packard,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Potter,	Wiley,

Mr. Curry,
Daly,
Dow,

Mr. Hunt,
Keyes,

Mr. Preston,
Ranney,

Mr. Wilson,
Speaker *pro tem*
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NAYS.

Mr. Goodyear, Mr. Smith, Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Mr. Wood, 4
Title agreed to.

Mr. Hoyt moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass House bill No. 275, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1, 2, and 3 of chapter 65 of an act entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science," being sections 2110, 2111, and 2112 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Hoyt,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 186, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the city of Holland,' " being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April 2, 1873;

Pending the reading thereof,

Mr. Potter moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Packard moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Northrop moved to lay the bill upon the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Klein moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following member reported absent without leave:

Mr. Schattler.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question being upon the passage of the bill,

Mr. Howard moved to amend the bill by striking out section 20 of Title IV.;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Van Raalte moved to amend section 6 of Title XXIII. by striking out the word "city" in lines 5 and 8, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "school;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Backus,
Bailey,
Benedict,

Mr. Ferguson,
Garfield,
Gerrish,
Goodyear,

Mr. Klein,
Lay,
Lee,
Livingston,

Mr. Robbins,
Schattler,
Smith,
Stephens,

Mr. Billings,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stowe,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
Budlong,	Harris,	Morse,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Cole,	Hoyt,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Dow,	Hunt,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Eggleston,	Keyes,		78
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

House bill No. 89, entitled

A bill relative to union school district No. 1 of the city of Jackson,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Garfield,	Little,	Schattler,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Neff,	Walton,
Cole,	Howland,	Northrop,	West,
Copley,	Hoyt,	Ocobock,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Whitney,
Curry,	Huggett,	Preston,	Wiley,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Eggleston.	Klein,	Reed,	71

NAYS.

Mr. E. A. Brown, Mr. Lee.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 432, entitled

A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations, within this State.

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Keyes,

The bill was laid on the table.

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State Public School for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871, and to add two new sections to said act, to be known as sections 20 and 21,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	Hale,	Little,	Stephens,
Billings,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Ludington,	Struble,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Houston,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Churchill,	Howard,	Meyer,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark.	Hoyt,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
Cole,	Howland,	Neff,	Walton,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	West,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	Whitney,
Daly,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson,	Klein,	Robbins,	71

NAYS.

Mr. Potter, 1

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to punish persons for setting guns and other dangerous devices,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Kilbourne moved to amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 from and after the word "manslaughter" in line 6 ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Kilbourne moved to amend the bill by striking out all of section 1, after the word "misdemeanor," in line 5 ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Little moved to strike out all after the enacting clause ;

Pending which,

Mr. Packard moved to amend the bill by inserting in line 3 of section 1, after the word "powder," the words "or other explosives;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 247, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act authorizing circuit courts in chancery, in the county of Wayne, to refer causes pending in chancery to special commissioners, being compiler's sections 5190 and 5191 of chapter 176, of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Lee,	Reed,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Little,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Harden,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Neff,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Northrup,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hoyt,	Ocobock,	I. P. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Whitney,
Copley,	Huggett,	Parker,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hull,	Potter,	Wilson,
Curry,	Hunt,	Preston,	Wood,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	79

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 53, entitled,

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 239, being section 7442 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the fees of witnesses in civil cases in courts of record,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Huggett,	Mr. Northrop,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Hunt,	Ocobock,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Keyes,	Preston,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Klein,	Ransom,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	Lay,	Reed,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Little,	Stowe,

Mr. C. Brown, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Harden, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hoyt, Hubbard,	Mr. Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff,	Mr. Struble, Taylor, Van Raalte, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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NAYS.

Mr. E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Greiner, Harris, Hull,	Mr. Kilbourne, Metcalf, Packard, Parker, Potter,	Mr. Robbins, Smith, Stephens, Sutton, Towne,	Mr. Van Aken, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 510, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment rolls, tax lists, and official returns of the township of Cleon, in Wexford county, for the years 1873 and 1874 ;

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature ;

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee, and attach the same to the county of Wexford ;

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on towns and counties, with instructions to amend the bill so as to provide for a submission of the question of detaching the township of Cleon to the electors of Manistee county ;

Which motion prevailed.

Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 48 of chapter 18 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive section 875, relative to the militia.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Churchill,	Mr. Gerrish, E. H. Green, Harden, Hewitt, Howard, Howland, Hoyt,	Mr. Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Neff,	Mr. Schattler, Stowe, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken,
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Mr. A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Hunt, Lay, Lee, Little,	Mr. Northrop, Ocobock, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Robbins,	Mr. Van Raalte, Walton, West, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
			57

NAYS.

Mr. Benedict, Benjamin, Goodyear, Greiner,	Mr. Harris, Keyes, Klein, Metcalf,	Mr. Moshier, Packard, Potter, Stephens,	Mr. Struble, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Benjamin moved that Mr. Potter be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Potter then voted as recorded above.

Mr. I. P. Wheeler moved that Mr. Goodyear be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Goodyear then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

Mr. Wiley moved that the House do now adjourn.

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Morse, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 454, entitled

A bill to authorize the drain commissioner of the township of Wheeler, to re-assess the ditch tax on the Tubbs-Wheeler township ditch No. 1.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

The bill was referred to the committee on drainage.

Senate bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to amend section 6918, being section 7, of chapter 218, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark,	Mr. Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard,	Mr. Klein, Lay, Lee, Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop,	Mr. Reed, Robbins, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West,
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Mr. F. O. Clark,	Mr. Howland,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Whitney,
Craig,	Huggett,	Parker,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Potter,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hunt,	Preston,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	81
NAYS.			0

Title, agreed to.

Senate bill No. 66, entitled

A bill for the relief of the educational, charitable, reformatory, and penal institutions of the State,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Robbins,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Little,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Briggs,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Huggett,	Parker,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hunt,	Potter,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wilson,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Ransom,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson,			81
NAYS.			0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Bradfield, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 130, entitled

A bill for the more effectual protection of workmen, miners, and laborers and others employed in mines and quarries in this State,

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Bradfield,

The further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 10, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss A. J. Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Hart asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on judiciary for half an hour.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on State prison for a part of the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 742. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of John Robson, C. Tracy, F. M. Cowles, J. B. Hull, S. C. Smith, and 40 others, against the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual beneficial and coöperative associations.

On demand of Mr. Kilbourne,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned, citizens of Ingham county, respectfully petition your honorable body not to pass the Senate bill entitled "A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit or coöperative associations within this State," or any other bill that will enable mutual benefit or co operative associations to organize and do business under the guise of life insurance, without the deposit of securities, and under the restrictions of law now imposed upon corporations which do a life insurance business.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 743. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of Wm. H. Chapman, Geo. K. Grove, A. N. Hart, John J. Bush, S. D. Bingham, Chas. W. Butler, E. R. Merrifield, Geo. P. Sanford, and 44 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 744. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of John S. Tooker, N. B. Jones, Cyrus Hewitt, Whitney Jones, H. Ingersoll, Martin Hudson, E. H. Davis, Daniel W. Buck, J. B. Porter, E. Longyear, and 38 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 745. By Mr. Hewitt: Remonstrance of Horace N. Turrell, H. B. Eggleston, and 154 others, citizens of Litchfield and vicinity, against the passage of any act taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 746. By Mr. Little: Remonstrance of John W. Richardson and 187 other residents of Saginaw county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 747. By Mr. Houston: Remonstrance of E. C. Nicholas, J. G. Sheffield, W. H. Skinner, and 94 others, against the passage of Senate bill entitled a bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit associations within this State;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 748. By Mr. Metcalf: Remonstrance of J. Parsons, J. B. Cobb, L. D. Bixby, and 24 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 749. By Mr. Metcalf: Remonstrance of C. S. Dayton, Wm. H. Barrett, H. M. Peck, B. S. Williams, F. S. Stone, and 50 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 750. By Mr. Metcalf: Remonstrance of J. W. Thompson, C. A. Dewing, W. A. Tomlinson, and 28 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 751. By Mr. Campbell: Remonstrance of H. M. Church, Thos. Hadley, William Perry, R. Houchin, J. S. Philbrick, and 77 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 752. By Mr. Copley: Remonstrance of M. R. Custard, D. M. Howell, H. C. French, S. S. Harrington, and 24 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 753. By Mr. Sutton: Remonstrance of J. Kitchen, E. H. Andrews, and 46 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 754. By Mr. Sutton: Remonstrance of Peter D. Martin, C. R. Whitman, O. G. LaRue, J. Estabrook, J. P. Vroman, W. J. Clark, and 43 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 755. By Mr. Sutton: Remonstrance of D. A. Post, Chas. Shier, Daniel Putnam, Samuel W. Parsons, Orville E. Hoyt, Caleb S. Pitkin, and 42 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 756. By Mr. A. K. Clark: Remonstrance of L. A. Park and others against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 757. By Mr. A. K. Clark: Remonstrance of C. B. Isbell and others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 758. By Mr. Ranney: Remonstrance of A. C. Allen, J. W. Folley, E. L. Koon, and 50 other citizens of Hillsdale, against the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual co-operative societies ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 759. By Mr. Ranney: Remonstrance of E. C. Minor, J. S. Lewis, R. A. Sinclair, and 100 other citizens of Jonesville, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 760. By Mr. Lay: Remonstrance of Edward Duffy, Thomas Carney, Hugh A. Kane, and 92 other citizens of Ann Arbor and vicinity, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 761. By Mr. Ransom: Remonstrance of Enos Flory and 52 other citizens of Grand Rapids, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 762. By Mr. Ransom: Remonstrance of Peter Wurzburg and 43 other citizens of Grand Rapids, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 763. By Mr. Ransom : Remonstrance of Lewis Morton, Wm. Hake, and another, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 764. By Mr. Armstrong : Petition of Ira Chaffee, Flavins J. Littlejohn, and 10 others, for the taxation of church property.

On demand of Mr. Armstrong,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Legislature of Michigan :

We, the undersigned, legal voters of Allegan, county of Allegan, Michigan, respectfully submit that among the reasons why we ask the repeal of the statute exempting church property from taxation (a petition for which we recently signed) is that said exemption is contrary to the great principles of "equal rights" and "equal privileges," which are corner-stones in our political fabric, and necessary elements in a republican form of government, and that to protect and preserve our free institutions it is necessary to inscribe on our banners : "Equal rights for all. Special privileges to none." In accordance with which we maintain that church property ought not to be exempt from taxation.

The petition was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 765. By Mr. McLachlin : Remonstrance of W. S. Taylor, E. L. Lockwood, and 110 others against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 766. By Mr. Armstrong : Petition of John Bell of Grand Ledge and 115 others, in favor of taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 767. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Judge L. S. Wixon, Rev. A. B. Flower, Geo. Frazier, and 312 others, for the organization of the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 768. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Edward Smith and 25 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 769. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Abraham Parker and 51 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 770. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of R. J. Matthias and 27 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 771. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of W. A. Sweet and 6 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 772. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Rev. A. B. Flower and 25 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 773. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Francis Hicks and 12 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 774. By Mr. I Green : Petition of Judge L. S. Wixon and 37 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 775. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of J. B. Stevens and 10 others, on the same subject ;

No. 776. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Alfred Parkiss and 8 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 777. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of James Campbell and 25 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 778. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of James Sheldon and 37 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 779. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of John Bell and 25 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 780. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Isaac N. Swain and 8 others, against extending the limits of the city of Detroit ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 781. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of George Robinson and 33 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 782. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of Edward Campau, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 783. By Mr. Livingstone : Remonstrance of John Freimiller, M. B. Kean, and 52 others of Detroit, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 784. By Mr. Lee : Petition of C. H. Parker and 10 other citizens of Benzie county, asking the Legislature to change the resolution passed by the House giving 160 acres of land to each Union soldier, to \$200 in United States legal tender notes ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 785. By Mr. Lee : Remonstrance of W. J. Swift and 24 other citizens of Dewitt, Clinton county, against the repeal of the prohibitory law, and praying that the same be made more effective ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 786. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of F. J. S. Thomson, Geo. H. Cook, Henry Sullivan, and 228 others, residents of Port Sanilac, against any division or alteration of the present boundaries of the county of Sanilac ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 787. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of John Johnston, J. T. Bachelor, M. Walker, John S. Howard, H. Fish, and 18 others, citizens of Port Huron, against the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 788. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of Henry Whiting, Geo. W. Barnard, E. T. Soles, John H. Fulton, L. R. Robbins, and 35 others on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 789. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of Simon Langall, S. B. Brown, A. A. Carleton, Geo. Frank, Luther Holland, W. M. St. Clair, and 34 other citizens of St. Clair, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 790. By Mr. E. A. Brown : Remonstrance of T. H. Hastings, George Aul, Peter Lock, and 48 others, against taxing church property :

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 791. By Mr. E. A. Brown : Remonstrance of John Kraupt, James R. Clapper, and 40 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 792. By Mr. Backus : Petition of J. J. Shearer, Dwight Fargo, D. C. Morse, and 30 other citizens of Montcalm county, asking for an appropriation of swamp lands to the Alpena & Michigan Southwestern Railroad ;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 793. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of John Spaulding and 32 others, to promote the construction of a railroad through the Menominee iron range ;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 794. By Mr. Watkins : Remonstrance of L. H. Randall, F. B. Gilbert, E. E. Judd, Wm. Sears, G. W. Perkins, Wilder D. Stevens, W. H. McConnell, and 74 others of Kent county, against the passage of a bill to facilitate the organization of mutual co-operative associations ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 795. By Mr. Briggs : Remonstrance of Mrs. O. R. Wilmarth, Mrs. Lydia M. Boise, Mrs. L. R. Atwater, Mrs. W. A. Berkey, and 73 others, residents of the city of Grand Rapids, and members of the "Woman's Christian Temperance Union," against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 796. By Mr. Hunt : Remonstrance of Patrick Casserly and 27 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 797. By Mr. Hunt : Remonstrance of Peter Dunn and 125 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 798. By Mr. Hunt : Remonstrance of A. Hickey and 41 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 446, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road in Mecosta and Osceola counties, to be known as the Mill Brook and Orient State road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' " approved March 29, 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

MARSHALL REED, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 181, entitled

A bill to amend section 27 of chapter 192, being section 6101 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to judgments and executions,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 179, entitled

A bill to amend section 10, being section 1212 of chapter 150, of the Compiled Laws, of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,
The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.
The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled,
"An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the recorder's court of the city of Detroit,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of guardians for females under the age of 21 years who are married,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred
House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to increase the pay of the sheriff and his deputies of St. Clair county while in attendance upon the sessions of the circuit court for said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred
House bill No. 523, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 23, 1869, and the act amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The majority of the committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 8 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes of 1846, being general sections 1802 and 1808 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support of poor persons,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons," approved April 5, 1869, being chapter 50, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by changing the number of the present section 55 of said act, being compiler's section 1870, to 57, and by inserting two new sections in said act, to stand as sections fifty-five (55) and fifty-six (56),

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The reasons for recommending that House bills Nos. 14 and 21 do not pass

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled, "An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the recorder's court of the city of Detroit,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 180, entitled

A bill authorizing the appointment of guardians for females under the age of 21 years who are married,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 249, entitled

A bill to increase the pay of the sheriff and his deputies of St. Clair county while in attendance upon the sessions of the circuit court for said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. F. O. Clark,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 523, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 23, 1869, and the act amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The majority of the committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2 and 8 of chapter 37 of the revised statutes of 1846, being general sections 1802 and 1808 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the support of poor persons,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons," approved April 5, 1869, being chapter 50, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, by changing the number of the present section 55 of said act, being compiler's section 1870, to 57, and by inserting two new sections in said act, to stand as sections fifty-five (55) and fifty-six (56),

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The reasons for recommending that House bills Nos. 14 and 21 do not pass

are because they propose amendments to the different parts of the general law for the support of poor persons, and allow suit to be commenced in the county where the pauper resides, and notice to be served on a relative in any other county.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was laid on the table.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bill:

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket in Calumet township, Houghton county.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 16, of Article IV. of act No. 198, of the session laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations, owning or operating any railroad in this State,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of article 2 of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 525, entitled

A bill to amend section 15 of Article IV., of an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate

the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads or other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on railroads:

The majority of the committee on railroads, to whom was referred

House bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, act 79 of the session laws of 1873, beng an act entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman*.

L. T. REMER,

A. B. COPLEY,

T. D. BRADFELD.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Watkins moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Briggs demanded the yeas and nays, on the question of concurring in the amendment.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to concur prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Billings,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Rich,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Little,	Struble,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Livingstone,	Sweetland,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Ludington,	Towne,
Cole,	Howard,	McLachlin,	Townsend,
Copley,	Howland,	Meyer,	Van Aken,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
Eggleston,	Huggett,	Northrop,	Watkins,
Ferguson,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	West,
Gerrish,	Hunt,	Parker,	Wilson,
E. H. Green,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Speaker,
I. Green,	Lay,	Ransom,	

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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Daly,	Klein,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Dow,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Neff,	Taylor,

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. Walton,	
Briggs,	Greiner,	Potter,	L. P. Wheeler,	
C. Brown,	Harden,	Ranney,	Whitney,	
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Robbins,	Wood,	40

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 34, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article VII. of the constitution in relation to the qualification of electors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and are not able to agree upon the merits of said resolution, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. HUBBARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 528, entitled

A bill to amend section 26 of an act to authorize the business of banking, approved February 16, 1857, being section 2207 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The section as it now stands seems to impose a double penalty on individual bankers.

The purpose of this bill is to remedy this defect by inserting the following clause in said section, to wit: "for which a penalty is not in this act otherwise provided."

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 519, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 80, being section 2629 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the formation of telegraph companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The object of this bill is to amend the present law so as to prevent telegraph

companies from injuring, defacing, cutting down, or destroying trees along the margin of highways, or trees purposely left for there shade or ornament.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3 and 5, of chapter 125, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to skating rinks and park,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The objects of this bill are, first, to change the amount of property which those associations may hold from \$10,000 to \$50,000; and, secondly, to limit the amount of capital stock of such corporations to \$50,000, instead of \$10,000 as in the present law.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 124, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of flouring and merchant mill companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Prison:

The committee on State Prison, to whom was referred

House bill No. 526, entitled

A bill to regulate the employment of convicts in the work-houses, houses of correction, and other prisons of the State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Livingstone,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 2, Article VI. of act No. 245 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Allegan,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 376, entitled

A bill to amend an act, entitled "An act to revise and amend an act to incorporate the city of Ann Arbor," approved April 4, 1851, and all acts supplementary thereto or amendatory thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Agricultural College:

The committee on Agricultural College, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend section 3934 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, care, and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Michigan by act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, for the endowment of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," approved March 18, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. COPLEY,

Chairman of the Com. on Agricultural College.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock, Houghton county,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows :

1. By striking out all of section 3 after the word "take," in line 15, and inserting in lieu thereof the following : " One of the oaths or affirmations required by law to be taken at general elections," substituting the word "village" in place of "township" or "ward," when necessary, and all persons who are challenged and take such oath or affirmation shall be permitted to vote, but any person who wilfully swears or affirms falsely to any material fact shall be deemed guilty of perjury.

2. By inserting in line 1 of section 9, after the word "treasurer" the word "recorder."

3. By striking out section 16.

4. By striking out in lines 10 and 11 of section 23, the words "to direct the recorder of said village to issue a precept under his hand and the seal of said village," and inserting in lieu thereof the following : " May apply to any justice of the peace of the township of Hancock, in said county of Houghton, for a jury, and upon such application it shall be the duty of such justice of the peace to issue a precept under his hand."

5. By striking out the word "recorder" where it occurs in lines 13, 15, 19, 25, 30, 32, 38, and 41 of section 23, and inserting "justice" in lieu thereof.

6. By striking out in line 29 of same section the words "the Upper Peninsula," and inserting "Houghton county" in lieu thereof.

7. By striking out the word "white" in line 1 of section 25.

8. By striking out of line 13, of section 33, the words "the police justice of the village or."

9. By striking out all of section 35 after the word "services," in line 4.

10. By striking out in line 1, of section 37, the words "the police justice of the peace or."

11. By striking out of line 6, of section 39, the words "Upper Peninsula," and inserting "county of Houghton" in lieu thereof,

12. By striking out section 52.

13. By re-numbering the sections from 16 to 54 inclusive.

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Daly,	Mr. Hulbert	Mr. Preston,
Backus,	Dow,	Hull,	Ranney,
Bailey,	Eggleston,	Keyes,	Reed,
Benedict,	Ferguson,	Klein,	Robbins,
Benjamin,	Garfield,	Lay,	Stowe,
Billings,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,

Mr. C. Brown,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Towne,	
E. A. Brown,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Van Aken,	
Budlong,	Harden,	Metoalf,	Van Raalte,	
Campbell,	Harris,	Meyer,	Watkins,	
Churchill,	Hart,	Neff,	West,	
A. K. Clark,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,	
F. O. Clark,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Whitney,	
Cole,	Houston,	Packard,	Wilson,	
Copley,	Howard,	Parker,	Wood,	
Craig,	Howland,	Potter,	Speaker,	
Curry,	Hubbard,			74

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 114, entitled

A bill relative to proceedings in criminal cases in circuit courts;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 98, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 207, session laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to amend section 102 of act No. 365, session laws of 1869, entitled 'An act to revise the charter of the village of Chelsea,' approved March 30th, 1869; also, to amend section 26 of said act No. 365, session laws of 1869, and to add a new section thereto;"

2. Senate bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 13 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Lyons," approved March 1, 1867;

3. Senate bill No. 116, entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of act No. 217, of the session laws of 1871, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Vermontville," approved March 11, 1871;

4. Senate bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 124 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to establish a board of commissioners to increase the product of the fisheries and to make an appropriation therefor," approved April 19, 1873;

5. Senate bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to provide for paying the expenses of the supervision of such products of soil and mine, works of art and manufactured articles, as the citizens of Michigan may send to the Centennial Exhibition, to be held in Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania, during the year 1876;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first, second, and third named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The fourth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

The fifth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the exhibition of the horticultural and pomological productions of this State at the exhibition of the American pomological society, to be held at Chicago in 1875,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect. and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on horticulture and ways and means, jointly.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish;

2. House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills :

1. House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a ~~separate~~ township, to be known as the township of Livingston;

2. House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 8 of chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 (compiler's sections 2806 and 2813), relating to co-operative associations ;

2. Senate bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to establish a board of public works in and for the city of Detroit," approved April 29, 1873 ;

3. Senate bill No. 99, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of an act entitled "An act to create a board of water and fire commissioners in the village of Marquette, being act No. 243 of the session laws of 1869," approved March 2, 1869 ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

The second and third named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 9, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 100, entitled

A bill to legalize the consolidation of the First Congregational church and society of Lima, in the county of Washtenaw, with the First Congregational church and society of Chelsea, in said county, and to legalize the conveyances whereby the separate property of said churches and societies is conveyed to the consolidated church, and to incorporate the consolidated church as the Congregational church and society of Chelsea;

2. Senate bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to amend section 9, of act No. 101, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to amend sections 793, 799, and 8000, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 2, 8, and 9 of an act entitled 'An act to provide for taking the census and statistics of this State,' approved Feb. 9, 1853," approved April 17, 1873;

3. Senate bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend section forty (40) of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Olivet," approved March 19, 1867;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on religious and benevolent societies.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the State affairs.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Big Rapids,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Kilbourne,	Mr. Reed,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Klein,	Schuttler,
Benjamin.	I. Green,	Lay,	Smith,
Billings,	Greiner,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Ludington,	Stowe,
O. Brown,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Taylor,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Cole,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,

Mr. Copley,
Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Ferguson,
Garfield,

Mr. Hubbard,
Huggett,
Hulbert,
Hull,
Hunt,
Keyes,

Mr. Packard,
Parker,
Potter,
Preston,
Ranney,
Ransom,

Mr. Watkins,
Whitney
Wiley,
Wilson,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Primary Schools,"

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on education, with instructions to amend the bill by reporting the following as a substitute therefor:

The People of the State of Michigan enact, That section 107, of chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "primary schools," shall be amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 107. The supervisor shall also assess upon the taxable property, not included in any organized school district in his township, two mills upon each dollar of the valuation thereof in each year, and report the amount of said tax to the township clerk of such township. And all moneys accruing from the two-mill tax in any township, not expended for the support of the schools in said township, before any district shall have a legal school therein, shall belong to the district in which it was raised when they shall severally have had a three months' school by a qualified teacher."

Mr. Van Aken demanded the yeas and nays on the question of re-committing the bill;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to re-commit prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
C. Brown,
E. A. Brown,
Budlong,
Campbell,
Cole,
Copley,
Craig,
Daly,
Dow,

Mr. Ferguson,
Garfield,
Goodyear,
Harris,
Hewitt,
Houston,
Howard,
Hubbard,
Huggett,
Hulbert,

Mr. Hull,
Hunt,
Kilbourne,
Ludington,
Metcalf,
Ocobock,
Parker,
Preston,
Ranney,
Reed,

Robbins,
Schattler,
Smith,
Sweetland,
Towne,
Townsend,
I. P. Wheeler,
Whitney,
Wilson,

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Mr. Bailey,
Benedict,
Benjamin,
Billings,
Bradfield,

Mr. I. Green,
Greiner,
Hale,
Harden,
Hart,

Mr. McLachlin,
Mercer,
Neff,
Northrop,
Packard,

Mr. Struble,
Sutton,
Taylor,
Van Aken,
Van Rualte,

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Hertzler,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Ransom,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Klein,	Stephens,	Wiley,
Curry,	Lay,	Stowe,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Lee,		

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Dow moved that Mr. Bailey be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Bailey then voted as recorded above.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Howard offered the following :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the several Chairmen of the Senate and House committees on the State Institutions, be and they are hereby added to the joint committee of the two Houses to view and consider all appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The rule requiring concurrent resolutions to be laid over one day was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Huggett in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bill :

1. Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend section 42 of chapter 150, being section 4244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved Feb. 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof ;

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

GEORGE HUGGETT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first named bill.

The bill was then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The committee of the whole was granted leave to sit again for the consideration of the second named bill.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNÖON SESSION.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. VanAken,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Huggett in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver, or other ores or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto, and amendatory thereof;

2. House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield in the township of Blissfield, Lenawee county, Michigan;

3. House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation.

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

GEORGE HUGGETT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the three bills.

The bills were then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, March 11, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. Daly, E. H. Green, Hunt, Little, Packard, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, and Wilson.

Mr. Benjamin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Little for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Wood asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. I. P. Wheeler for the day.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for the special committee on the Detroit Savings Fund Institute.

Mr. Hulbert asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to-day noon until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Packard for half an hour.

Mr. Campbell asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to-day until Tuesday.

Mr. Stowe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wilson for one hour.

Mr. Stephens asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from to-day until Monday noon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 799. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Henry Fish, J. S. Smart, Fred A. Smart, and 82 others, citizens of Litchfield and vicinity, against the passage of any act taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 800. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of S. Hobson, Geo. Campbell, D. Ryon, and 91 other residents of Port Huron, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 801. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Francis J. King, Martin Barrell, James Fisher, and 91 others of Port Huron, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 802. By Mr. Hale: Remonstrance of James Sterling, Charles T. Dunn, James R. Hyde, and 6 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 803. By Mr. Billings: Remonstrance of R. C. Lanning, Henry Bryan, Jacob Staddler, and 34 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 804. By Mr. Billings: Remonstrance of R. C. Burroughs, Geo. Hart, Chas. Johnson, and 27 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 805. By Mr. Robbins: Remonstrance of Andrew Niefer, Ludwig Simon, Martin Sailie and 42 other citizens of Grand Rapids, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 806. By Mr. Robbins: Remonstrance of Petter Lawless, John Tyran, John T. Cosgrove, and 165 other citizens of Adrian, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 807. By Mr. Robbins: Petition of Norman Geddes, A. J. Auchernpau, George Holden, and 21 other citizens of Adrian, asking that a tax of 3 per cent be placed on the net premiums of insurance companies, instead of on the gross receipts;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 808. By Mr. Lay: Remonstrance of Patrick Murray, Nicholas Cordary, Wm. Sears, and 140 other citizens of Ypsilanti and vicinity, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 809. By Mr. Remer: Remonstrance of Rev. John Reichenbach and 100 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 810. By Mr. Whitney: Petition of J. S. Miller, S. R. Miller, Marcus Cluff, and 41 other citizens of Muskegon county, asking the Legislature to change the resolution passed by the House giving 160 acres of land to each Union soldier, to \$200 in United States legal tender notes;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 811. By Mr. Backus: Petition of M. Rider, C. Jesse Church, M. H. Norton & Co., and 56 other citizens of Montcalm county, asking for an appropriation of swamp lands to the Alpena & Michigan Southwestern Railroad;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 812. By Mr. Backus: Petition of Geo. Partlow, D. H. Elwood, J. Wesley Griffith, and 91 other residents of Montcalm county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 813. By Mr. Backus: Petition of N. Slaght, N. M. Fuller, R. C. Miller, O. C. Ellsworth, and 48 others of Montcalm county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 814. By Mr. Towne: Petition of M. Allen, G. Briggs, D. C. Sanbourn, and 80 others, in favor of the repeal of the office of county superintendent of common schools;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 815. By Mr. Townsend: Memorial of the town board and 20 other citizens of the township of Goodland, in Lapeer county, asking the Legislature to repeal an act to provide for the constructing a State road in Lapeer county;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

No. 816. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of John Greusel, Jr., and 14 others, against extending the limits of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 817. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of A. R. Sink and 34 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 818. By Mr. Livingstone: Remonstrance of Eli Ullrich and 8 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 819. By Mr. Ferguson : Remonstrance of B. M. Outcheon and 13 others, tax-payers of Crawford county, against its organization into a county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 820. By Mr. Copley : Remonstrance of Emory O. Briggs, J. and I. Openheim, and 34 others, citizens of the village of Paw Paw and immediate vicinity, against the passage of Senate bill extending the corporate limits of the village of Paw Paw ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The Speaker announced the following remonstrances :

No. 821. Remonstrance of D. N. Goodrich and 48 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 822. Remonstrance of D. Whiteley and 24 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 823. Remonstrance of John Lewis and 45 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 824. Remonstrance of Hattie H. Wright and 22 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 825. Remonstrance of L. M. McBride and 4 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 389, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road commencing on the county line between the counties of Midland and Bay, and running into the unorganized county of Gladwin, and making an appropriation of non-resident highway taxes for the purpose of constructing the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to detach certain townships from the county of Schoolcraft, and attach the same to the township of Chocolay, in the county of Marquette,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 421, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Rose, in the county of Ogemaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 420, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Alabaster, in the county of Iosco, and to attach the same to the township of Edwards, in Ogemaw county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 419, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Thompson, in the county of Iosco, and attached the same to the township of Ogemaw, in Ogemaw county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage:

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred,

House bill No. 364, entitled

A bill appropriating the interest arising from the non-payment of taxes on part-paid swamp lands, in certain townships in Van Buren county, for the drainage and reclamation of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on drainage and public lands:

The committees on drainage and public lands, to whom was referred

House bill No. 286, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and constructing a ditch or drain through Black River swamp, in Sanilac county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE,

Chairman of the Committee on Drainage.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Lee,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 178, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 151, being section 4269 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to estates in dower,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 422, entitled

A bill to amend sections 59 and 60 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate

the village of Nashville, in the county of Barry, being act No. 356 of the session laws of 1869," approved March 26, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was recommitted House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 382, entitled

A bill to amend section 44 of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Alpena," approved March 29, 1871, being act 249 of session laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 8, 24, 40, 42, and 59 of "An act to incorporate the village of Pierson," approved March 27th, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Mason, under act No. 178 of session laws of 1873, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities," approved April 19, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 378, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of article 6 of act No. 251 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Alma, and to add two new sections thereto,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 267, entitled

A bill to repeal act No. 516 of the session laws of 1867, being an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Middleville, in the county of Barry," approved March 27, 1867,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

A majority of the committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 302, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw," approved March 27, 1867, as amended by act No. 305 of the session laws of 1869, and by act No. 224 of the session laws of 1871, and by act No. 216 of the session laws of 1873, and to add six new sections thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.
M. REED,
S. HOWLAND,
C. H. HERTZLER.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 406, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Schoolcraft," approved March 12, 1869,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. B. POTTER, *Acting Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to amend section 9, of act number 101, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to amend sections 793, 799, and 800, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 2, 8, and 9, of 'An act to provide for taking the census and statistics of this State, approved February 9, 1853,' approved April 17, 1873,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 371, entitled

A bill to authorize cities, villages, and townships to license taverns, hotels, victualing houses, saloons, and other houses or places for furnishing meals, food or drink, and billiard tables and ball alleys, and to regulate the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston ;

2. House bill No. 137, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton ;

3. House bill No. 92, entitled

A bill to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish ;

4. House bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Otsego.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House bill No. 388, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 69 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, approved February 3, 1855, by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section 22,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed and placed on the special order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed and placed on the special order.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

2. House bill No. 493, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous or intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved Feb. 3, 1855,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed and placed on the special order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed and placed on the special order.

MAJORITY REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE DETROIT SAVINGS FUND INSTITUTE.

A majority of the special committee to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Corns, making certain charges against the managers of the "Detroit Savings Fund Institute," since re-organized as the "Detroit Savings Bank," and asking for a committee from the House, to investigate the same, etc.,

Respectfully report, that under the direction of the House they proceeded to Detroit for the purpose named.

The officers of the bank gave them every facility for making a full and fair investigation.

They found that since the organization of the bank in 1849, more than three hundred millions of dollars had been received and paid out by said bank, the same being paid in by nearly twenty-nine thousand different persons.

That the surplus claimed to be on hand on the 18th of July, 1871, when the bank was re-organized, was the result of the handling of said large amount of money. It will readily be seen that it was beyond the power of your committee to examine into the minutiae of the business transactions of said bank. To do so would require months instead of days. The bank officers admitted that on the 1st of January, 1871, there was on hand the sum of \$134,000, as stated by the petitioner. On the 1st of July, 1871, just before the re-organization, they had on hand \$137,000, but they stated under oath that this sum was much larger than the real surplus; that from that amount must be deducted a large sum for interest due depositors for the last six months, bad debts, and contingent expenses, amounting to the sum of over \$52,000, leaving the actual surplus on hand, according to the books, about \$84,000.

Your committee are satisfied of the truth of this statement, as sworn to by the officers of the bank.

Your committee further report that the claim of Mr. Corns is for his *pro-rata* proportion of this surplus. The answer of the bank to this claim is, that the surplus earnings on hand at the time Mr. Corns made his first deposit in 1864, was in round numbers \$44,000, leaving a surplus of earnings during the time from the date of his first deposit to the date of re-organization, of about \$40,000. It appears from proof that during said period, the average deposits in said bank amounted to \$900,000, and the average deposit of said Corns was less than \$600, instead of \$1,200, as stated in the petition.

A simple calculation will show that if the said surplus of earnings during the said period is divided among the depositors, for that period, *pro-rata*, the amount due Mr. Corns is about four and one-half per cent. This rate on his average deposit, would entitle him to \$27 of said profits. But the bank proved that even this sum was liable to be largely reduced by bad debts, or other accidents, in the collection of the old assets of said bank.

The bank further claims that by section 4 of the act incorporating said "Savings Institute," it was provided that the *deposits shall be repaid to each depositor, or his lawful representatives when required, at such times, and with such interest, and under such regulations as the board of trustees shall from time to time prescribe.*

The bank further shows that the amount of interest agreed to be paid to said Corns was five per cent per annum, and that the entire of his deposit with interest at that rate has actually been paid and received by said Corns, the same, however, being received under protest.

The bank further proved, that on the 10th day of April, 1868, they passed a rule for the benefit and protection of the depositors; that a sum equal to \$200,000 should be accumulated as a surplus, and that at no time should said surplus be reduced below twenty per cent of the deposits in said bank. That said rule was adopted, and due notice of the same given, as required by the act of incorporation. That of the \$500 first deposited by said Corns before said rule was adopted, \$250 was withdrawn, and that all the balance of his deposits were subject to this rule. If this position of said bank, to pass such a rule or by-law, be admitted (upon which your committee express no opinion, as it a matter for the courts to determine), then the amount due said Corns is about \$10.

The attorney for said Corns claims that the bank had no right to make such a rule, but that the duty of said board of trustees was to regulate, from time to time, the rate of interest to be allowed to depositors, so they shall receive a ratable proportion of all the profits of said bank, after deducting the necessary expenses. In reply to this, the bank contend that the actual necessary expenses cannot be ascertained daily, that they are liable to be largely increased by all the dangers of ordinary business; that customers, whose paper had been discounted, might become bankrupt; that real estate might depreciate in value, and the buildings be destroyed or injured by fire; that the vaults of the bank might be broken open and robbed; and that, as there was no provision for a capital, it was their duty to provide for these dangers by accumulating a surplus.

Your committee do not express any opinion on this question, but simply say that if the *act* did not confer this power, in their judgment, it was clearly defective.

Your committee further report, as their opinion, that it is impossible for said bank to determine the actual surplus, at the time of re-organization, until all of the assets have been converted into cash, and all deposits claimed, which does not appear to have been done as yet.

Your committee do not feel able or willing to decide the question of law between the bank and the said Corns, as to whether he is entitled to any share of said surplus, but they are clearly of the opinion that if divided it should be divided *pro rata* between all of the depositors, according to the amounts and times of deposit.

Your committee further report that the bank officers say that the said Corns claimed one thousand dollars, besides his principal and interest, and that to pay all the depositors at that rate, would require a surplus of more than a million of dollars, whereas there was less than a tenth of that amount on hand. On the other hand, the said Corns, by his attorney, claims that he only asked for ten per cent interest per annum, instead of five, and was willing to settle for that sum, which would amount according to the calculation of your committee, to about \$350.

To pay all of the depositors at that rate even, if all the old assets proved good and collectible, would make a much larger sum than the surplus claimed by said Corns, to be on hand, and nearly \$400,000 more than the bank admit.

Your committee did not feel inclined to examine into all the legal questions involved in this case, as we believe the legal tribunals have ample power to redress any wrongs the said Corns may have suffered, or to inquire into and decide all questions relating to the rights of depositors in said bank.

Your committee further report that the present bank officers proved to the entire satisfaction of your committee, that they had not appropriated a single

dollar of the surplus of the old "Institute" to their own use, but that, not only was the whole amount on hand, but it had been considerably increased.

Your committee therefore exonerate the present officers of the "Detroit Savings Bank" from all blame, and believe the demand of the said Corns has been made from a misapprehension of the facts, and the amount of his claim against said bank, which may be due him from said surplus, when the same is calculated.

Your committee further report that said Corns, through his attorney, was given every opportunity to substantiate his charges made in his said petition.

Your committee herewith submit the answer of the bank to the petition, and request that the same may be spread upon the journal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. C. WATKINS,
E. H. GREEN,
CLEVELAND HUNT.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The following is the answer of the bank to the petitioner :

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The Detroit Savings Bank, in answer to the petition of Joseph Corns, respectfully show :

That the Legislature of this State did in the year 1849, pass an act incorporating Elon Farnsworth, David Smart, John Palmer, Zina Pitcher, Charles Moran, Shubael Conant, B. B. Kirchival, Levi Cook, James A. Hicks, George M. Rich, and Gurdon Williams, and their successors, by the name of the "Detroit Savings Fund Institute."

That during said year, the institute was duly organized, by the election of officers and the adoption of rules and regulations for its general management, and the opening of an office for the carrying on the business, as provided in the act of incorporation.

That it is true, no provision was made in said act for any capital, except such as might be accumulated from the earnings of the money deposited with said institute, after paying such interest to the depositors, as was fixed by the Board of Trustees.

The undersigned constituting the present Board of Trustees or directors, show that the highest rate of interest ever paid to any person for money deposited with said institute or bank was *five per cent* per annum, except it was provided by rule *twenty*, adopted April 10, 1868, that an extra dividend of the surplus profits earned should be made to the depositors, but it was also declared by said rule that such extra dividend should only be made when in the opinion of the trustees a sufficient surplus shall have been earned and secured to make the depositors secure," and it was expressly declared by the said rule that "*no extra dividend shall be made until the surplus earnings to be held for the security of depositors shall amount to at least two hundred thousand dollars, and no such extra dividend shall be made which will reduce said surplus below the amount of twenty per cent of all the liabilities of the institute.*"

The undersigned further show the wisdom of this rule, or regulation, was made evident in the panic of 1857, when all the accumulated profits for eight years was swept away in the efforts of the trustees to protect their depositors. That at that time one of the richest banking institutions of the State, sold the bonds of the State of Michigan, which had cost it par as low as seventy cents, thus sacrificing thirty per cent. of the very best security the bank could hold.

The undersigned further show that the rules and regulations were made solely for the benefit and security of the depositors, and were well known and expressly assented to by each and every depositor, at the time they made their first deposit, by giving their written signature to the same ; and they further state that said rules and regulations, and all changes made therein, were printed and conspicuously posted up in said bank, where they were visible and accessible to all during the business hours of said bank, as required by their said charter.

And the undersigned further state that the *first* deposit made by the Joseph Corns was on the eighth day of August, 1864, when he signed the rules and regulations of said institute, and thereby expressly *agreed* to be bound by and comply with the same ; that his first deposit was \$500 ; his second deposit was made on the 9th of March, 1869, of \$100 ; that on the fourth of January, 1869, he drew from said bank \$150, and on the 11th of August, 1869, he drew the further sum of \$100. His *third* deposit was made on the 7th of March, 1870, of \$270 ; his *fourth* deposit was made on the 25th of January, 1871, of \$200. These deposits, making in the aggregate, after deducting his drafts, the sum of \$820, was the entire sum of his deposits, prior to the passage of the law under which this bank was re-organized, except such credits as he had received from time to time, for interest on the money on deposit ; his *fifth* and last deposit was on the 10th of April, 1871, of the sum of \$400, making the total of his deposits from August, 1864, to April, 1871, a period of nearly seven years of \$1,200 ; that instead of having a steady deposit from August, 1864 until the re-organization of the bank in July, 1871, of about \$1,200, as he states in his petition, his average deposit during that period was scarcely half that sum ; that every dollar of the money deposited by him, with the interest thereon at the rate of *five* per cent. per annum, as agreed upon between said bank and the said Corns, has been paid to him in strict accordance with the rules and regulations of said bank, and his account has been closed.

And the undersigned further shows that the accumulated profits of said institute or bank, up to the time of said Corns' first deposit, was \$44,000 ; that the amount of profits, as stated in the petition of said Corns, on the first day of January, 1871, was \$134,000, showing that the accumulated profits from 1864, when he made his first deposit to January, 1871, was nominally \$90,000 but the undersigned expressly state that this sum was subject to be largely decreased, as will be hereafter shown ; that during the said period of nearly seven years, there was deposited in said bank upwards of \$40,000,000, and the said deposits increased from \$538,681.22, in July, 1864, to \$1,349,596.17, making an average deposit of nearly \$900,000.

And the undersigned further state that if the depositors in said bank were not bound by the said rules and regulations, assented to by them, then the said depositors were each and every one of them entitled to their *pro rata* share of said profits. If this rule of division is assessed, and the average of said deposits at \$900,000, and the average deposit of Mr. Corns at \$600, and the gross profits at \$90,000 ; then his proportion of said earnings or surplus would be \$60. But this is more than the reality. On the re-organization of the bank, a very careful examination was made of every security and account, and they found that from the surplus, which appeared of \$137,470.45 to be on hand, on the 30th of June, 1871 (which was the last statement before the re-organization), there was in said surplus \$25,324.20 of interest to be credited to the depositors. This arose from the fact that while the earnings of the bank are entered in the books

daily as earned, the amount to be paid to depositors is made up twice a year, in January and July. As fast as these amounts are ascertained, they are taken from the profits on hand, and credited to each depositor, and entered on his books. As there are several thousands of these accounts, it is usually from sixty to ninety days before all the credits are made. The sum of \$15,993.18, being a claim that the taxes paid to the United States on deposits had been assessed wrongfully. Debts which were bad, \$8,400 90; building vaults and other expenses, \$3,169 61, making an aggregate of \$52,887 89 to be deducted, which left the actual surplus on hand at the close of the last monthly balance before the re-organization on the 18th of July, 1871, of \$84,582.56. If we deduct from this sum the actual earnings before Mr. Corns made his first deposit, it will leave the actual profits from the date of his first deposit to the date of the re-organization, of \$40,582.56. This sum divided among all the depositors, *pro rata*, would have entitled him to the sum of four and a half per cent on his average deposit, which was about \$600. This would have given him twenty-seven dollars as his proportion of said surplus. If his average deposit had been \$1,200, as stated in his petition, then his proportion of the surplus would have been \$54, and no more. Had this been his claim, the bank might well have hesitated whether it would not be better to pay him the amount than to have any dispute or controversy with him, but it was not. After the bank had been re-organized nearly or quite eighteen months, Mr. O'Flynn, as the attorney of Mr. Corns, claimed for him a proportion of the surplus. For the purpose of ascertaining what he claimed, one of the officers of the bank was requested to call upon Mr. O'Flynn, the attorney of Mr. Corns, for that purpose. He found and so reported to the board that Mr. O'Flynn demanded, for Mr. Corns, the sum of one thousand dollars, in addition to his deposits, and interest at the rate of five per cent per annum. The reply to this demand was, *first*, that Mr. Corns was only entitled to his deposits, with five per cent interest, the rate agreed upon when the deposit was made; and *second*, that all the depositors were entitled to the same as Mr. Corns, and that it would take nearly a million dollars, more than the entire surplus earnings of the bank, to pay such a sum. In reply to this statement, Mr. O'Flynn admitted the bank could not pay all the depositors at the rate he demanded, or any thing like it; but he said the large proportion of the depositors would never know of the settlement with his client, or make any such claim on the bank. To this he was told that the bank would never consent to pay Mr. Corns a single penny more than he was legally entitled to under the laws of the State, nor pay him one dollar more than was paid to every other depositor. Upon this refusal of the bank to pay his demand of a thousand dollars, he threatened to annoy and persecute the bank, and make it cost the bank more trouble and expense than would equal the sum he claimed.

Soon after this refusal of the bank to submit to be thus plundered, Mr. O'Flynn, as the undersigned have been credibly informed and believe, prepared the articles published in the Daily News, of this city, on the 17th of April and the 8th of May, 1874, and has followed up said attack from time to time, and now seeks to draw to his support the powerful aid of the Legislature, through the false petition of said Corns.

And the undersigned further state that the allegations made in said petition of said Corns, that the identical persons who were corporators in the old bank, and they alone, became under the re-organization the corporators of the new bank, is utterly false, and was known to be so by said O'Flynn when he made said statement, in the petition signed by said Corns, and when he caused the same to be presented to the Legislature. That the only persons named in said

act of incorporation, who participated in the re-organization of said bank were Elon Farnsworth and Dr. Zina Pitcher. It is perhaps due to Mr. Corns to say that *he* may have thought the statement in his petition was true, but we expressly charge that the said O'Flynn knew the same to be false, and was intended to deceive the Legislature, and injure this bank.

And the undersigned further say that the allegation that the re-organization of the bank was made by stealth, in a surreptitious manner, is utterly false ; that so far from any desire on the part of those interested in said re-organization to keep it secret, the fact was immediately published by advertisement in the daily papers of the city, in the German language as well as the English, giving the new name of the bank, its capital stock, the names of its directors and officers; and that immediately thereafter new pass books were prepared for all of the depositors of said bank, and were presented to them on their first visit to the bank, and they were requested to surrender their old books; that the new rules and regulations were conspicuously posted in said bank, so that the fact of re-organization was brought home to every depositor at the earliest time possible. The undersigned do not know whether the words "do not publish" were written across the record of the articles of association, but if so it was without the knowledge of the directors, and directly contrary to their wishes, because they believed that the re-organization with a cash capital of \$200,000 and a liability of \$200,000 more of necessity, would greatly enhance the security of the depositors and make the bank more popular with the people.

And the undersigned further state that section 2251 of the Compiled Laws was inserted in said law because it was well understood and believed that there were several savings banks in the State organized under a law which was unconstitutional, and the object the Legislature had in view in inserting said provision was to provide against a great and irreparable injury to thousands who had made deposits in said banks, organized under a general law, which had not been submitted to the people, as required by the constitution. That this did not apply to this bank, which had a special charter, passed before the adoption of the Constitution of 1857.

The said bank further deny that they took any part in the passage of said law, but the same was procured by those desiring to establish similar institutions in the State.

And the undersigned aver that the said O'Flynn has procured to be published in a newspaper in this city that the surplus earnings constitute the capital stock on part of the bank when re-organized, and the undersigned expressly deny the truth of this statement, whether made in print or before your committee, or in private conversation, and denounce the same as utterly false.

And the undersigned further state and admit no portion of the said supposed surplus earnings of said bank existing at the time of said re-organization have been among the depositors, but have been increased to one hundred thousand dollars and now remain on hand in the bank. That they believe the surplus should remain in the bank as a continuing security to the depositors until the final winding up of said bank. And they further show that since the year 1849 there have been 28,947 accounts opened with various individuals ; that a large proportion of the present depositors of said bank, were depositors long before its re-organization ; and that this surplus, if any, of old deposits, should continue as security for their deposits, that being the object for which the same was accumulated. And the undersigned further showed that the amount of said surplus is liable to be largely affected and diminished, as there was at the time of said re-

organization over \$1,800,000 of assets of various kinds, consisting of bonds of the United States, of different States, cities and counties, bonds and mortgages, promissory notes, bills of exchange, accounts with banks and bankers, and other securities, upon the collection of which depends the final amount of surplus; that until these claims are all collected, no one can tell the actual surplus of said bank; that by the stockholders' paying in said \$200,000 of capital and becoming personally liable to pay a like sum to make up any deficiency in said securities in case of any great depreciation like that in the panic of 1859, the depositors have been effectually secured against any possible loss. And the undersigned submit that there was no other right or proper course to pursue but to keep said surplus unimpaired until every claim has been collected, and every depositor paid, and the bank finally wound up. So far from diminishing said surplus, the undersigned show that there is actually a larger surplus to-day than existed at the time of the re-organization of said bank.

And the undersigned further state that they believe the entire proceeding on the part of said O'Flynn, has been with the design and intent to levy *black mail* on the bank, and not because the said Corns has any legal or equitable claim. That the said bank has at all times been ready to submit the question of the claim of said Corns to any court, from that of a justice of the peace to the court of chancery, and to pay such amount as the courts might award, but the bank is not willing to pay an illegal claim of one thousand, or even one dollar, in the shape of black mail, to buy peace from unprincipled men, and we trust that the committee appointed will make a thorough investigation into the claim of Mr. Corns, and if they find, as we believe, that it has no foundation in law or equity, they will so stigmatize this proceeding as to deter all such attempts in the future, no matter from what source they may come.

And the undersigned further show that since this bank was organized, in 1849, it has received and paid out over 300,000,000 of dollars; that it has paid to its depositors more than \$600,000 in interest; that no person has ever lost a dollar by the bank; that every claim has been paid, and although nearly 29,000 different persons have, during the past twenty-five years, kept accounts in said bank, no person except Mr. Corns has ever made claim to any more than he was justly entitled to according to the agreement made when the deposits were entrusted to the bank for safe keeping.

And the undersigned further show herewith a list of the incorporators in the original act, and also a list of the present stockholders of this bank, and they respectfully claim protection and justice at the hands of the Legislature, at this most iniquitous attempt at extortion and black mail; all of which is respectfully submitted.

E. FARNSWORTH,	H. N. WALKER,
SAMUEL LEWIS,	EDWARD LYON,
HENRY P. BRIDGE,	ALEX. LEWIS,
GEO. HENDRIE,	PETER HENKLE

Mr. Walker, Alex. Lewis, and Mr. Bridge, being present, were duly sworn to the above statement.

List of Original Corporators.—Elon Farnsworth, David Smart, John Palmer, Zina Pitcher, Charles Moran, Shubael Conant, B. B. Kerchival, Levi Cook, James A. Hicks, Geo. M. Rich, and Gardon Williams.

List of Corporators under the Re-organization.—Elon Farnsworth, Zina Pitcher, H. N. Walker, H. P. Bridge, Samuel Lewis, Alexander Lewis, Wm. Parker, Sidney D. Miller, A. H. Adams, Edward Lyon, and Edmund Trowbridge.

List of Stockholders, with Amount of Stock held by each.

STOCKHOLDERS.	Shares.	Amount.
E. Farnsworth.....	150	\$15,000 00
H. P. Bridge.....	150	15,000 00
Samuel Lewis.....	150	15,000 00
H. N. Walker.....	150	15,000 00
Edward Lyon.....	150	15,000 00
Alexander Lewis.....	150	15,000 00
Ex. E. Trowbridge.....	100	10,000 00
George Jerome.....	100	10,000 00
Peter Henkel.....	100	10,000 00
Hendrie & Co.....	100	10,000 00
Kate T. Miller.....	100	10,000 00
Mary A. Mandlebaum.....	70	7,000 00
Sidney D. Miller.....	50	5,000 00
James V. Campbell.....	50	5,000 00
Bernard Stroh.....	50	5,000 00
Marie L. Sibley.....	50	5,000 00
John S. Newberry.....	50	5,000 00
James McMillan.....	50	5,000 00
Frederick B. Sibley.....	50	5,000 00
William Wreford.....	50	5,000 00
A. H. Adams.....	30	3,000 00
T. Ferguson.....	30	3,000 00
Simon Mandlebaum.....	25	2,500 00
Thomas Lewis.....	25	2,500 00
John H. Bissell.....	10	1,000 00
Charles H. Little.....	10	1,000 00
Totals.....	2,000	\$200,000 00

MINORITY REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE DETROIT SAVINGS FUND INSTITUTE.

To the Honorable House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

A minority of your special committee, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Corns, on February 16th, 1875, and in accordance with your instructions, respectfully submit the following report:

In 1849, by act No. 61 of the Legislature of this State, eleven persons were incorporated, and became known as a body corporate and politic, by the name of the Detroit Savings Fund Institute. That section four of said act reads as follows:

Sec. 4. Said corporation shall receive on deposit, all such sums of money as shall from time to time be offered by tradesmen, mechanics, laborers, servants, minors, and others, for the purpose of being invested in any public stock, or upon bond and mortgage, or other security, according to the provisions of this act. And such deposits shall be repaid to each depositor, or his lawful representatives when required, at such times, and with such interest, and under such regulations, as the board of trustees shall from time to time prescribe; which regulations shall be printed and conspicuously posted, in some place accessible and visible to all, in the business office of said corporation, and no alteration which may at any time be made in such regulations, shall in any manner affect the rights of a depositor in respect to deposits made previous to said alteration.

Sec. 7 reads: It shall be the duty of the board of trustees from time to time, to regulate the rate of interest to be allowed to depositors, so that they shall re-

ceive a ratable proportion of all the profits of said corporation, after deducting the necessary expenses; and they shall annually make a report to the Legislature of this State, on or before the first day of January, of all the funds and investments of the corporation.

Section 10, contains the following words: This act shall take effect from and after its passage, and the Legislature may at any time alter, amend, or repeal this act.

Approved March 5, 1849.

The institute commenced business, and in the pass-books issued we find the following inducements held out to the working classes :

Twice every year, namely, on the second Wednesday of every July and January, a dividend or payment of interest of two and a half per cent, or two and a half dollars on a hundred, will be made. This will amount to five dollars on every hundred each year, and so a proportionate sum for any sum less or more than one hundred dollars. Although only five per cent is promised yearly, yet every fifth year *all the extra income which has not before been paid and divided will then be divided in just proportion to the length of time the money has been in, according to the by-laws, and nothing will be deducted from this extra income but the actual expenses paid for carrying on the business and taking care of the money.*

On the 8th of August, 1864, Joseph Corns deposited \$500 in this bank and received a pass-book containing the above conditions. Corns continued depositing with and drawing money out of the bank for about ten years. In his petition he says he had about \$1,200 as a steady deposit. He may be mistaken as to that amount (the bank claims he is), but he had more than that amount on deposit part of the time. But he asks for his share of the earnings of the institute, and he is told repeatedly that all the money he can get out of that bank is his principal and five per cent per annum. He was told that the bank could not give out the money; that he had all he could get.

We have no evidence to show that the institute ever made any division of the profits, nor is it held by the officers that any has been made other than five per cent per annum. Yet, in 1871, the officers of the bank report the large amount of accumulated earnings of \$134,000. It is very evident that had the earnings been divided every fifth year, as agreed on between the bank and people, as shown by the pass-books issued by the bank, that that amount of money could not accumulate, but on the contrary, would have been divided *pro-rata* among the depositors.

In 1871 the Institute re-organized under the general banking law.

Sec. 70, page 733, C. L. 1871, reads as follows : Any bank or association existing under or by virtue of any law of this State, may be re-organized under the provisions of this act, and when duly organized, all securities, real estate, or property, may be transferred to such new organization; but no such re-organization shall have the effect to discharge the original bank, its directors or stockholders, from any liability to its depositors, or any other person; but the same shall continue until legally discharged; and such new organization or bank shall be legally liable to pay every claim or demand existing against the bank whose assets or property, or any part thereof, it has received by reason of such re-organization.

From the facts thus stated, it will be seen that the statements put forth in the petition of Corns, are verified and sustained in a remarkable manner.

And as it is admitted by the cashier of the bank that the bulk of the depositors are laboring men and mechanics; and as it is admitted further, by the of-

floors of the bank, that the ownership of that surplus fund is a question of law—which means, as stated in the petition, that if a depositor claims any portion of it, he must sustain his claim in the various courts of law.

This would be folly for any poor person to attempt; for while the bank admits that it might be possible that there would be \$27 coming to Corns—and in no case could it exceed \$60—even for the larger amount few men would fight a powerful banking institution.

Believing that the investigation has fully justified the petitioner in every essential point, there seems to be no other course left but to grant the prayer of the petition.

In coming to this conclusion, it is a very pleasing reflection to know that the present high standing of the bank will not be affected materially by it, in so much as the stockholders in the new bank are many of them men of ample means and high standing in the community—and in the opinion of your committee have no connection with the working of the old institute. There is much pleasure in thinking that the new bank can well hold up without being propped by money that should long since have been divided among our mechanics, laborers and servant girls.

Therefore, in accordance with those conclusions, the following bill is submitted :

House bill No. 301, entitled

A bill relative to the assets of the Detroit Savings Fund Institute,

Recommending that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. E. KNIGHT,
JAMES DALY,
Special Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The two reports, the answer of the bank, and the bill relating to the subject, were laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 10, 1875.

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State,

An act to organize the county of Isle Royal;

An act to authorize railroad companies to cut decayed or dangerous trees standing within a certain distance of either side of their track;

An act to annex township 41 north, of range 33 west, to the township of Menominee, in the county of Menominee;

An act to provide for the incorporation of the "Independent Order of Philanthropists," of the State of Michigan;

Joint resolution asking Congress to so amend an act entitled "An act to enable honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, to acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States;"

Joint resolution asking Congress to amend the Homestead law, giving soldiers and sailors disabled by the loss of a limb, or other equivalent disability,

the amount of land to which they would be entitled without settlement upon the same, as now required.

Concurrent resolution asking Congress that pensions be granted to soldiers and widows of deceased soldiers of the war of 1812, who have been honorably discharged after five days' service.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, March 4, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State :
An act to organize the county of Isle Royal.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto, being act No. 215 of the Session Laws of 1871, and also to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 58 of act No. 215 of the Session Laws of 1871, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Greenville,'" approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking of line 1 of recited section 58 the following: "Section 58 be amended by adding thereto the following provisions, viz.;" and to further inform the House that the Senate has amended the title of said bill by inserting after the word "amend," in line 1 of said title, the words "sections three, four, six, seven, eight, fifteen, thirty-six, thirty-nine, forty-nine, fifty-eight, and fifty-seven of;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Backus moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Backus,
Bailey,
Bartow,
Benedict,

Mr. Curry,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,

Mr. Klein,
Lay,
Lee,
Livingstone,
Ludington,

Mr. Smith,
Stephens,
Stowe,
Struble,
Sutton,

Mr. Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig,	Mr. Garfield, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull,	Mr. Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	72 0
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On motion of Mr. Backus,

The amendment made by the Senate to the title was concurred in.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 10, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR,—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Societies of St. Patrick,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows :

1. By striking out the word "birth," where it occurs in line 1 of section 1, and line 1 of section 2, and insert the word "extraction" in lieu thereof ;

2. By striking out the words "(provided such distress is not occasioned by drunkenness or crime)," in lines 13 and 14 of section 2 ;

3. By inserting in line 2 of section 3, after the word "and," the words, "upon payment of a fee of 75 cents ;"

4. By striking out all after the word "dollars," in line 4 of section 4, to and including the word "pleasure," in line 6 of said section ;

5. By striking out the word "and" where it first occurs in line 3 of section 5, and inserting "or of" in lieu thereof ;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 10, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies of corporate powers for certain purposes,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same, by adding to section 3 the following proviso:

"Provided, Such trustees shall, before selling any part thereof, apply to the circuit court of the county in which such organization is situated, and if said court shall deem it proper to make an order for the sale of any real estate belonging to such organization; it may also direct the application of any moneys arising therefrom to such uses as the same organization, with the consent and approbation of such circuit court, shall conceive to be most for the interest of the corporation to which the real estate so sold did belong;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. West moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harden,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Potter,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lay,	Rich,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Schattler,	

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend section 42 of chapter 150, being section 4244 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed, and the proof and recording of conveyances, and the canceling of mortgages,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Towne,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Lee,		

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof.

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was re-committed to the committee of the whole, and made the special order for Wednesday, March 17, at 3 o'clock P. M., two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield, in the township of Blissfield, Lenawee county, Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Schattler,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Townsend,

Mr. Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Curry, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield,	Mr. Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne,	Mr. Neff, Northrop, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich,	Mr. Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Taylor, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to provide for a re-registration of electors in the city of Ann Arbor ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Bradfield, Briggs, Budlong, Campbell, Goodyear,	Mr. Harden, Harris, Hart, Hubbard, Hull, Keyes, Knight, Ludington, Neff,	Mr. Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Reed, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble,	Mr. Sweetland, Taylor, Van Aken, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson,
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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bartow, Billings, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Dow, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish, E. H. Green, I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland,	Mr. Hulbert, Hunt, Klein, Lay, Lee, Livingstone, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Northrop, Ocobock,	Mr. Packard, Ransom, Remer, Rich, Robbins, Schattler, Sutton, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Watkins, Speaker,
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Mr. Copley moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Hunt asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, from to-morrow until Monday noon.

Mr. Robinson asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday.

Mr. Dow asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Saturday and Monday.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Saturday and Monday.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to provide for a re-registration of electors in the city of Ann Arbor,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Struble,
Benedict,	L. Green,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Packard,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Houston,	Potter,	Walton,
A. K. Olark,	Howard,	Preston,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Reed,	Whitney,
Daly,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wiley,
Dow,	Klein,	Rich,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Schattler,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Smith,	Speaker,
Gartfield,	Lee,		

NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House resumed the order of

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MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }*To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Pine Grove, in the county of Van Buren, for the year 1874,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Parker moved to amend the bill:

1st. By inserting in section 1, after the words "Van Buren," in line 2, the following: "and in the township of Vienna, in the county of Genesee."

2d. By changing the words "treasurer," "county," and "township," wherever they occur in the bill, to the plural number;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,

Benjamin,

Billings,

C. Brown,

Budlong,

A. K. Clark,

F. O. Clark,

Cole,

Copley,

Craig,

Curry,

Mr. E. H. Green,

I. Green,

Harden,

Hart,

Hertzler,

Howard,

Howland,

Hubbard,

Huggett,

Kilbourne,

Klein,

Mr. Ludington,

McLachlin,

Mercer,

Metcalf,

Meyer,

Moshier,

Neff,

Northrop,

Ocobock,

Packard,

Parker,

Mr. Reed,

Remer,

Rich,

Robinson,

Schattler,

Stephens,

Struble,

Sutton,

Sweetland,

Taylor,

Towne,

Mr. Eggleston,
Garfield,
Gerrish,
Goodyear,

Mr. Knight,
Lay,
Livingstone,

Mr. Potter,
Preston,
Ranney,

Mr. Townsend,
Watkins,
Wiley,

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NAYS.

Mr. Backus,
Bartow,
Benedict,
Briggs,
E. A. Brown,

Mr. Campbell,
Dow,
Greiner,
Harris,

Mr. Hewitt,
Lee,
Smith,
West,

Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
Whitney,
Wilson,
Speaker,

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Parker moved to amend the title, by inserting after the words "Van Buren" the words "and in the township of Vienna, in the county of Genesee ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Rich moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 494, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Lapeer ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Townsend moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of article 2, sections 1 and 2 of article 3, sections 2 and 7 of article 6, sections 5 and 8 of article 8, and to add a new section thereto, section 2 of article 12, and to add a new section thereto, section 4 of article 16, section 1 of article 27, being act No. 233, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Imlay City, in Lapeer county," approved April 4, 1873 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Goodyear moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 16, 22, 31, 34, 38, 39, and 50 of an act to incorporate the city of Hastings, approved March 11, 1871, as amended by act No. 228 of the session laws of 1873, approved April 2, 1873 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. E. H. Green moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Mackinaw ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Metcalf in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to legalize the election of the officers of certain school districts ;

2. House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons," approved April 5, 1869 ;

3. House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators of the contracts of deceased persons, for the conveyance of real estate ;

4. Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds and other instruments affecting the title to real estate ;

5. Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes ;"

6. Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill relative to the use of sleeping, parlor, and chair cars upon the railroads of this State ;

7. Senate bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform inspection of lumber," approved March 25, 1871, and the act amendatory thereof, approved April 10, 1873 ;

8. Senate bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section four of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 114 of the revised statutes, entitled 'Of proceedings against debtors by attachment,'" being consecutive section 6431 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

9. Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys ;

10. Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the village of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Howard street ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following joint resolutions :

11. Senate joint resolution No. 5, entitled
Joint resolution for the relief of Edward A. Durant.

12. Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled
Joint resolution for publishing in pamphlet form all laws relating to the public health;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills:

13. Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum, or coal oils;

14. House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

A. T. METCALF, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The ten bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The two joint resolutions were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the thirteenth and fourteenth named bills.

The bills were then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Bartow, by unanimous consent, moved that the special order heretofore fixed for 7½ o'clock this evening be postponed until next Tuesday forenoon;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. West,

The House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No 78, entitled

A bill to amend sections 8 and 14 and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 648, and 649, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election, and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

2. Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to amend sections 68 and 80 of chapter 136, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 3638 and 3649, relating to primary schools;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take effect March 31, 1875, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The two bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and made the special order for 7½ o'clock this evening, in accordance with the resolution of the House.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The House took a recess until 7½ o'clock, P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

7 1-2 o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Billings asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Churchill for the evening.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. C. Brown for the evening.

Mr. Campbell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Neff indefinitely, on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Wood, by unanimous consent, moved that all rules be suspended, and that

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12 of the Compiled laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647 and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110 and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Be put upon its immediate passage;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House went into committee of the whole on the special order, Mr. Parker in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bill:

1. Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8, and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647, and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

2. Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to amend sections 68 and 80 of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 3638 and 3649, relating to primary schools;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first-named bill,

The same were concurred in and the bill was placed of the order of third reading of bills.

The second-named bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. F. O. Clark, by unanimous consent, moved that the rules be suspended and that

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647, and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add 8 new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Be put upon its immediate passage;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Howard moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Dow, by unanimous consent, moved that the rules be suspended, and that

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647, and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Be put on its immediate passage;

Pending which,

Mr. Huggett moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on suspending the rules and placing the bill on its immediate passage,

The motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

Mr. Klein, by unanimous consent, moved that the special committee on the liquor traffic be instructed to report back to the House, by next Tuesday morning, all bills in its hands relating to the liquor traffic;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Goodyear, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools," and to amend section 91, and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90, of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Hewitt, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 502, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 7, and 9 of an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools, and to amend section 91, and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90 of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws," approved March 13, 1867, and being sections 3759, 3761, 3762, and 3764 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, March 12, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Parsons.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Bartow, Gerrish, and Little.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Little, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gerrish until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Townsend asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from this evening until Wednesday morning.

Mr. Harden asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Saturday and Monday.

Mr. Metcalf asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening on account of sickness.

Mr. Walker asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bartow for the day.

Mr. Whitney asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Armstrong asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day.

Mr. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on ways and means and the chairmen of the several committees for the day.

Mr. Hertzler asked leave to offer a resolution.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

Leave was granted.

Mr. Hertzler then offered the following:

Resolved, That when the House adjourn to-day it stands adjourned to 8 o'clock P. M., Monday evening.

Mr. Briggs demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution.

The demand was seconded, and

Pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Robbins moved to amend by striking out the word "to-day," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "to-morrow ;"

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was then adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Rich,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Schattler.
Billings,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Houston,	Meyer,	Struble,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Morse,	Sweetland,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	Towne,
Oole,	Huggett,	Norton,	Townsend,
Craig,	Hull,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Potter,	Watkins,
Daly,	Klein,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lay,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Taylor,
Backus,	I. Green,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Benedict,	Hale,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Briggs,	Harris,	Parker,	Walker,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Ranney,	West,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Reed,	Wilson,
Copley,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Garfield,	Lee,	Sutton,	Speaker,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Wilson moved that Mr. I. Green be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. I. Green then voted as recorded above,

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above,

Mr. Rich, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 540, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 14 of chapter 12, being sections 643 and 649 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and also to add eight new sections to chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, to stand as sections 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 92 and 93 of said chapter, relative to school inspectors;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 826. By Mr. Mercer : Petition of Albert Williams, Fred. Hall, A. F. Bell, Hampton Rich, Osmond Tower, W. C. Page, A. F. Carr, S. F. Page, W. W.

Mitchell, and 168 other legal voters of the city of Ionia, Mich., asking that chapter 65 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science," be totally repealed, and remonstrating against any further such legislation.

On demand of Mr. Mercer,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Hon. the Senate and the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan in Legislature assembled :

The undersigned, legal voters of the city of Ionia, Michigan, would most respectfully and earnestly ask your honorable body to at once totally repeal chapter 65 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 of this State, entitled "An act to authorize dissection in certain cases, for the advancement of science;" and likewise remonstrate against any more such legislation. With all due deference, we submit that any statute which compels the surrender of "the dead bodies of such poor persons as may be required to be buried at the public expense, to any practicing physician in the State," or "to the medical department of the State University for dissection," thereby denying them a Christian burial, and this because they are "the dead bodies of such poor persons as may be required to be buried at the public expense," is in unqualified violation of the genius of our democratic institutions,—at war with the best spirit and sentiment of the age,—shocking to humanity, and disreputable to the State. Thus firmly and sincerely believing, your petitioners will, therefore, as in duty bound, ever humbly ask and remonstrate as aforesaid.

This dated Ionia City, Mich., March 10, 1875.

On motion of Mr. Mercer,

The petition was laid on the table.

No. 827. By Mr. Robbins : Remonstrance of W. S. Wilcox, Henry Hart, W. W. Bruce, C. Rynd, Thos. S. Applegate, and 48 others, of Lenawee county, against the passage of Senate bill entitled "A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and coöperative associations within this State ;"

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 828. By Mr. Robbins : Remonstrance of L. H. Salsbury, P. Shumony, J. G. Thompson, H. C. Hall, and 37 others, of Lenawee county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 829. By Mr. E. A. Brown : Petition of H. H. Boon, L. B. Marquissa, E. F. Armstrong, and 40 others, for the passage of the bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and coöperative associations ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 830. By Mr. Van Raalte : Remonstrance of R. Q. Wilkinson, John Hefner, Robert Garet, and 40 others, of the township of Jamestown, against amending the charter of the city of Grand Haven.

On demand of Mr. Van Raalte,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan :

WHEREAS, House bill No. 483, entitled a bill to amend the charter of the city of Grand Haven, as presented to your honorable body, provides for four supervisors, thereby giving to the city of Grand Haven double the representation on the board of supervisors of Ottawa county that it now has ;

AND WHEREAS, By the census of 1874, it appears that the said city of Grand Haven has at the present time a greater representation on the board of supervisors, according to population, than many of the townships in the county ;

AND WHEREAS, We firmly believe that said increase of representation would do great injustice to the county at large ; and furthermore, believing in the great republican principle of equal representation in all deliberative bodies ;

Therefore we, the undersigned citizens of the township of Jamestown, in Ottawa county, would respectfully but earnestly remonstrate against the passage of any law giving said city of Grand Haven any more representation on the board of supervisors than they have at the present time.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 831. By Mr. Ferguson : Remonstrance of Gifford Ruddock & Co., M. K. Denning, Chas. F. Ruggles, and 90 others, citizens of Manistee, against coercing the township of Cleon into Manistee county, against the will of the people of the township ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 832. By Mr. Lay : Petition of H. W. Douglas, C. H. Millen, W. Thomas, and 35 others, citizens of Ann Arbor, for the establishment of a dental department in the University of this State ;

Referred to the committee on University and Normal School.

No. 833. By Mr. Benedict : Remonstrance of Jerry Grover,¹ Thomas Cornell, and 42 others, against the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 834. By Mr. Benedict : Remonstrance of James Cavanagh, Thomas Welch, and 46 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 835. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Moses Burns and 43 others, for the organization of Butler county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 836. By Mr. Rich : Remonstrance of J. B. Moar, J. Bentley, A. S. Hatch, and 90 others, citizens of Lapeer county, against the organization of the county of Butler by taking any portion of Lapeer county for that purpose ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 837. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of many tax-payers and citizens against changing the laws in relation to taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 838. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of 66 tax-payers, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 839. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of tax-payers and citizens, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 840. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of 40 citizens and tax-payers, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 841. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance of 61 tax-payers and citizens, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 842. By Mr. Kilbourne : Remonstrance of George Cook, Henry Eckstein, and 106 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 843. By Mr. Kilbourne : Remonstrance of John Greiner and 37 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 844. By Mr. Potter : Remonstrance of Frank Gilbert, P. Finnegan, and 45 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 845. By Mr. Potter : Remonstrance of P. Finnegan, Robert Haskins, and 50 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 846. By Mr. Churchill : Memorial of the Alpena and Michigan Railroad Company, asking for a grant of land in aid of the construction of said railroad.

On demand of Mr. Churchill,

The memorial was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

MEMORIAL OF THE ALPENA & SOUTHWESTERN RAILROAD CO.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

WHEREAS, The Alpena & Michigan Southwestern Railroad Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan, have commenced the construction of a railroad from the city of Alpena to the cities of Greenville, Grand Rapids, and Grand Haven, and have already cleared, grubbed, and partially tied several miles of road ;

AND WHEREAS, The said railroad is to be built at least one hundred and sixty miles, through a dense forest, now unpopulated and unsettled, being a very desirable portion of the State for purposes of agriculture ;

AND WHEREAS, The valuable timber in these forests are fast being cut and removed, and most of the wealth accumulated therefrom made by non-residents of State, who, being disinterested in their further development, allow them to revert to the State for the non-payment of taxes, thus impoverishing the municipalities, and through the neglect of the State to aid in making improvements, they become, in large districts, sterile and unprofitable wastes, as well to the State as individuals ;

AND WHEREAS, It is a well known fact, that when the lumber is cut and carried away from a country, without then causing its settlement and improvement, at which time there is an active demand for agricultural products, and at the time when the lumber interests are furnishing capital which should make inducements for settlement and improvement, the country will remain an unsettled, unprofitable, untax-paying wilderness for a long series of years ;

AND WHEREAS, The building of railroads through new and unsettled portions of the country furnishes excellent drainage in the section traversed, and have

always induced settlement and the rapid development of all the material interests of the people and the State ;

AND WHEREAS, The State swamp lands have been heretofore mostly disposed of, or at least all the timbered and most valuable part having been sold or appropriated in kind, for highways or other public improvements, and have not resulted in the settlement of the country proposed to be traversed by this improvement, only in cases where railroads have been constructed ;

AND WHEREAS, By the construction of the Alpena and Michigan Southwestern Railroad the unsettled districts in the counties of Alpena, Alcona, Montmorency, Oscoda, Iosco, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Gladwin, Isabella, Clare, Mecosta, and Montcalm, will be immediately settled up and such improvements made as will render said districts productive and profitable to the people and to the State ;

AND WHEREAS, The difficulty of procuring money for the construction of railroads has been greatly increased by the panic of 1873, insomuch that a substantial basis of lands or local aid are requisite to enable this company to construct the superstructure of its road, and establish security upon which it can issue and negotiate its bonds, and the appropriation by your honorable body of so much of the State swamp lands as are ordinarily appropriated for the construction of highways, being of itself an endorsement by the State of the utility, practicability, and necessity of this railroad, which are the principal inducements to capitalists in advancing money to such enterprises ;

AND WHEREAS, Owing to the country being in unsettled state, and the large non-resident manufacturing interest opposing the development of these forests, by railroads, so that little or no local aid in the way of subscriptions to stocks or donations can be obtained ;

Now therefore, The Alpena & Michigan Southwestern Railroad Company petition your honorable body to appropriate and donate to the said railroad company the unsold State swamp lands in the counties of Alpena, Alcona, Oscoda, Montmorency, Ogemaw, and Gladwin, to the extent of one section per mile, lying between the city of Alpena and the city of Greenville, being about one hundred and sixty-five (165) miles, the said lands to be selected in the counties above named, and deeded to this company as it shall construct and operate its railroad in divisions of twenty miles each, to the satisfaction of the Board of Control of State swamp lands, or otherwise, as your honorable body may direct.

The Alpena & Michigan Southwestern Railroad Company, by

A. H. REESE,
L. JUD MACOMBER,
J. K. LOCKWOOD,

Directors.

The memorial was referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 847. By Mr. Churchill : Petition of Milton Cady, L. Doyle, and other residents of Alpena county, praying for an appropriation of State swamp land, in aid of the Alpena and Michigan Southwestern Railroad ;

Referred to the committee on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 848. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance of M. J. Scott, W. S. Webster, J. B. Cavanaugh, and 23 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 849. By Mr. Howard : Remonstrance E. J. Doyle, Wm. Pay, S. Wolke, and 33 others, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 850. By Mr. Briggs : Remonstrance of Hon. B. A. Hailer, Hon. S. L. Withey, Hon. Henry Fralick, Hon. Birney Hoyt, Hon. Geo. W. Allen, J. Mason Reynolda, O. C. Ransom, Simeon Hunt, Eben. Smith, Hon. B. D. Ball, and many others, citizens of Grand Rapids, against the passage of a bill compelling fire insurance companies to pay full amount of their policies in case of total loss, etc. ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 851. By Mr. Norton : Remonstrance of Mrs. F. B. Cressy, Mrs. W. D. King, Mrs. W. S. Albertson, and 60 other ladies of Oakland county, against the repeal of any prohibitory liquor laws ;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 852. By Mr. Van Raalte : Remonstrance of S. Breman, J. W. Burand, and 26 others, of Georgetown, against the amendments in the charter of the city of Grand Haven, asking for a larger representation of supervisors on the board of supervisors in Ottawa county ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 853. By Mr. Van Raalte : Remonstrance of Loren Day, E. G. Morris, Chas. Moody, and 15 others, of Georgetown, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 854. By Mr. Copley : Remonstrance of J. C. Gould, and 52 others, outside the village of Paw Paw, against the passage of the Senate bill extending the corporate limits of said village ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 855. By Mr. Moshier : Remonstrance of E. G. Curtis, W. P. Guest, and 9 others, against the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 856. By Mr. Moshier : Remonstrance of A. V. Wood, E. M. Adams, and 70 others, citizens of Genesee county, relative to the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 857. By Mr. Bailey : Petition of Oliver P. Morgan and 176 others of Shiawassee county, asking that \$200 in money be given to soldiers instead of 160 acres of land ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 858. By Mr. Goodyear : Petition of D. D. Darling, Peter Cobb, and 24 others of Barry county, for the repeal of the law creating the office of county superintendent of schools ;

The petition was laid on the table.

Mr. Van Aken, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

Resolved, That the clerk be instructed to transmit a respectful message to the Senate requesting the return to the House of

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State Public School for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871, and to add two new sections to said act, to be known as sections 20 and 21,

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committees on ways and means and horticulture, jointly:

The committees on ways and means and horticulture, jointly, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the exhibition of the horticultural and pomological productions of this State at the exhibition at the American pomological society, to be held at Chicago in 1875,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the joint resolution when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

PETER DOW,

Chairman of the Committee on Horticulture.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the committee;

Mr. Robbins demanded the yeas and nays on the question of concurring;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to concur prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Hale,	Mercer,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Harden,	Meyer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Houston,	Norton,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Packard,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	Van Aken,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Ranney,	Walton,
Cole,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Watkins,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Remer,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Lay,	Mr. Rich,	Wood,
Goodyear,			

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Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. West,
Copley,	Hart,	Morse,	Wiley,
Craig,	Knight,	Potter,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Struble,	

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The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on insurance:

The committee on insurance, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 8 of chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 (compiler's sections 2806 and 2813), relating to co-operative associations,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on insurance :

The committee on insurance to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 35, entitled

A bill to prohibit foreign insurance companies from transacting business in this State in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on insurance :

The committee on insurance, to whom was referred

House Bill No. 425, entitled

A bill to regulate contracts of insurance, and actions brought thereon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, recommending that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. ROBBINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on University and Normal School :

The committee on University and Normal School, to whom was referred so much of the resolution of Feb. 5th as relates to the insurance of the State Normal School building, furniture, apparatus, and library of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House the accompanying statements, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The following is the statement :

STATE NORMAL SCHOOL INSURANCE.

The following is a statement of the amount of insurance effected upon the buildings, furniture, apparatus and library of the State Normal School, and the premiums paid for the same for the last ten years :

YEAR.	Amount of Insurance.	Premium.
1864.....	\$18,000 00	\$125 00
1865.....	18,000 00	125 00
1866.....	18,000 00	125 00
1867.....	18,000 00	125 00
1868.....	24,000 00	180 00
1869.....	24,000 00	180 00
1870.....	28,000 00	210 00
1871.....	31,000 00	240 00
1872.....	31,000 00	275 00
1873.....	31,000 00	413 30
1874.....	41,800 00	747 06
Total.....		\$2,755 38

Up to the year 1872 the policies were renewed *annually*. In 1873 and 1874 the policies were, most of them, taken for three years.

DANIEL B. BRIGGS,
Secretary of Board of Education.

Memorandum of insurance on Normal School property, viz:
Hartford Ins. Co., Policy No. 1841, Am't \$10,000, @ 2½ per cent for 3 y'rs from Feb. 1, 1874.
Ætna " " " 781, " 10,000, " " " "
Hanover " " " 10002, " 4,400, " " " "
Ger. Am. " " " 1028, " 4,400, " " " "

Total..... \$28,800 on Normal Building and Contents.
Ætna Ins. Co., Policy No. 753, Amount \$6,000, @ 1½ per cent for 1 year from July 1, 1874.
On Museum Building so-called,—above with W. H. Jewett.
State, of Lansing, Policy No. 179, \$2,000 on furniture and apparatus (including furnace in Museum Building, so-called), expires Nov. 1, 1876.
Fire Association, of Philadelphia, Policy No. 16478, \$5,000 on Museum Building; expires Nov. 10, 1876,—with Cutcheon & Allen.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:
The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 100, entitled
A bill to legalize the consolidation of the First Congregational church and society of Lima, in the county of Washtenaw, with the First Congregational church and society of Chelsea, in said county,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

URIEL TOWNSEND, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on State prison:
The committee on State prison, to whom was referred House bill No. 404, entitled
A bill to revise and consolidate the laws relative to the State prison and the government and discipline thereof, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 556, entitled

A bill granting the right of way across the State land in the city of Flint, for a highway,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 451, entitled

A bill to amend section 3038 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 3 of an act, entitled "An act for the incorporation of charitable societies," approved February 6, 1855,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. KEYES, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake;

2. House bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to provide for the exercise by religious societies, of corporate powers for certain purposes;

3. House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to provide for a re-registration of electors in the city of Ann Arbor.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 237, entitled

A bill relating to the formation of co-operative associations by mechanics, laboring men and others, being a bill to amend section 6 of chapter 90 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, for the reason that the bill does not materially change the law.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 352, entitled,

A bill to repeal "An act to provide for the incorporation of savings associations," approved April 3, 1869, as amended by Act No. 183 of the session laws of 1871, approved April 17, 1871, being chapter 73 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to organize the township of North Brighton, in the unorganized county of Crawford, and attach the same to the county of Roscommon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 391, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Patterson, in the county of Crawford, and attach the same to the county of Otsego,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and

that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Pine Grove, in the county of Van Buren, for the year 1874;

Which the House amended as follows:

1. By inserting after the word "Van Buren," in line 2, section 1, the following: "and in the township of Vienna, in the county of Genesee."

2. By changing the words "treasurer," "county," and "township," where they occur in the bill, to the plural number.

And also amended the title of said bill by inserting after the word "Van Buren" the following: "And in the township of Vienna, in the county of Genesee;"

And to inform the House that the Senate has non-concurred in said amendments.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House receded from its amendments to the bill and the title, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Schattler,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Meyer,	Smith,
Billings,	Harden,	Morse,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Moshier,	Struble,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Norton,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Townsend,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Van Aken,
Cole,	Hull,	Potter,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Keyes,	Preston,	Walton,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	West,
Daly,	Knight,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Rich,	Wilson,

Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Robbins,	Mr. Speaker,	
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The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 (compiler's section 3820) of chapter 144 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to university and primary school lands,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by inserting after "eight" (8) in line 2 of section 1, the words "of an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;"

And also to inform the House that the Senate has amended the title of said bill, by inserting after "amend," in line 1, the following: "section 36 of chapter 8 of;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Daly moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill and the title by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Schattler,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Smith,
Billings,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Mercer,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Morse,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Taylor,

Mr. Budlong,	Mr. Hertzler,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Towne,	
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Raalte,	
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Walker,	
Cole,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,	
Copley,	Hubbard	Preston,	Watkins,	
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	West,	
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Eggleston,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,	
Garfield,	Lay,	Robbins,	Speaker,	68

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to cause the boundary lines between the said counties to be surveyed;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bills:

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 112, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Gaines;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 10, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road in Osceola county, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out in the first and second lines of section 1 the words "Board of Supervisors of Osceola county," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Governor."

2. By striking out in section 12 all after the word "the" where it occurs a second time in said line, to and including the word "board" in line 2.

3. By striking out all of section 12 after the word "office," in line 7;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Pending the question of concurring in the amendments made by the Senate,
On motion of Mr. Morse,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

9. Senate bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to repeal section 4214 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

2. House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield in the township of Blissfield, Lenawee county, Michigan,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out the word "March" where it occurs in lines 14 and 17 of section 17, and inserting "April" in lieu thereof;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. C. Brown moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benjamin.	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Billings,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Towne,
Briggs,	Houston,	Norton,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Preston,	Walton,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	West,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,

Mr. Daly,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Rich,	Mr. Wilson,	
Eggleston,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wood,	
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Schattler,	Speaker,	
E. H. Green,	Ludington,			71
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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 109, entitled

A bill to exempt Odd Fellows' and Free Masons' Mutual Relief Associations from the provisions of sections 10 and 29 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to Life Insurance Companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869," and to add three new sections thereto, to stand as sections 27, 28, and 29, it being act No. 80 of the Laws of 1871, approved April 5, 1871;

2. Senate bill No. 110, entitled

A bill to amend section 2939 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 4 of act No. 77 of the laws of 1869, being an act entitled "An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State;"

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first and second named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on insurance.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4401 and 4406, being sections 1 and 6 of chapter 157 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the inventory and collection of the effects of deceased persons;

2. Senate bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Chap. 114 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being Sec. 6407 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first and second named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also annouced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum, for lighting passenger cars,

2. House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873,

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 34, entitled,

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by adding to the end of section 1 the following proviso:

"*Provided further*, That such existing sureties shall not be discharged from any liability incurred prior to the filing of such new bond, and the old bond shall be retained by the judge of probate for the benefit of all persons who may be interested therein;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. I. Green moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The motion to concur was laid on the table, carrying the bill with it.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and

to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton ;

2. House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

Mr. Kilbourne, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Mason under act No. 178 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities," approved April 19, 1873 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. West, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1879 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. West,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 494, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the city of Lapeer,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Struble,
Bailey,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Cole,	Howland,	Packard,	Walton,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Preston,	West,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,

Mr. Daly, Garfield, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. Klein, Lay, Lee, Livingstone,	Mr. Reed, Remer, Rich, Smith,	Mr. Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	63
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Mr. Keyes,	1
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 184, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of article 2, sections 1 and 2 of article 3, sections 2 and 7 of article 6, sections 5 and 8 of article 8, and to add a new section thereto, section 2 of article 12, and to add a new section thereto, section 4 of article 16, section 1 of article 27, being act No. 233, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Imlay City in Lapeer county," approved April 4, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey, Benedict, Billings, Bradfield, O. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Garfield, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. I. Green, Greiner, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Howard, Hubbard, Huggett, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer,	Mr. Rich, Stowe, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	64
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Townsend moved to amend the title as follows: By striking out in lines 2 and 3, after the word "eight," the words "to add a new section thereto;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Townsend,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Daly, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to manufacture and sell illuminating gas;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

House bill No. 164, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 16, 22, 31, 34, 38, 39, and 50 of an act to incorporate the city of Hastings, approved March 11, 1871, as amended by act No. 228 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved April 2, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Smith,	
Benedict,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Stowe,	
Billings,	Hart,	Mercer,	Struble,	
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Sutton,	
C. Brown.	Howard,	Moshier,	Sweetland,	
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Northrop,	Towne,	
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Townsend,	
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Van Raalte,	
Cole,	Hull,	Potter,	Walton,	
Copley,	Keyes,	Preston,	West,	
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Curry,	Klein,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Daly,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,	
Ferguson,	Lay,	Rich,	Wood,	
Goodyear,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,	
E. H. Green,	Livingstone,			62

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 288, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Mackinaw,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. E. H. Green moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "Mackinaw" wherever it occurs in the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the word Mackinac;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Pending the taking of the vote on the passage of the bill,

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robbins,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Lay,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Lee,	Struble,
Billings,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Taylor,

Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Towne,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
Copley,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Potter,	West,
Curry,	Huggett,	Preston,	L. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hull,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Klein,	Rich,	Wood,

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. E. H. Green moved to amend the title as follows: By striking out of the title the word "Mackinaw," and inserting the word "Mackinac" in lieu thereof; Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Potter,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Knight,	Preston,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Lay,	Ranney,
Billings,	Hart,	Lee,	Reed,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Livingstone,	Remer,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ludington,	Rich,
Budlong,	Howard,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Mercer,	Schattler,
F. O. Clark,	Hoyt,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Morse,	Towne,
Craig,	Huggett,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Curry,	Hull,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ocobock,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,		

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Mr. Benedict,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Stowe,	Mr. Walton,
Briggs,	Harden,	Struble,	L. P. Wheeler,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Sweetland,	Wiley,
A. K. Clark,	Packard,	Taylor,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Ransom,	Van Aken,	Wood.
Goodyear,	Smith,		

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Backus moved that Mr. Norton be excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

Title agreed to.

Mr. Hart moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Benjamin moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to give the bill immediate effect ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to legalize the election of the officers of certain school districts,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Ransom,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Lay,	Reed,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Lee,	Remer,
Billings,	Hale,	Livingstone,	Schattler,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Ludington,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Van Aken,
Cole,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Craig,	Howard,	Northrop,	I. P. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Howland,	Packard,	Wood,
Garfield,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Goodyear,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	51

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Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Hoyt,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Klein,	Struble,	Walton,
Copley,	Morse,	Sutton,	Wiley,
Daly,	Norton,	Sweetland,	Wilson,
Harris,			21

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 206, entitled

A bill to amend section 1820 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 5 of "An act to revise and consolidate the several acts relating to the support and maintenance of poor persons," approved April 5, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Lay,	Struble,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Harden,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Norton,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hart,	Packard,	Van Aken,

Mr. A. K. Clark,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Potter,	Mr. Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Houston,	Preston,	Walton,
Cole,	Howland,	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Hoyt,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hull,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Rich,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,	Robbins,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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Mr. Billings,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Ocobock,
C. Brown,	Klein,	Moshier,	Schattler,
Budlong,	Livingstone,	Northrop,	Stowe,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Howard moved that Mr. Hoyt be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hoyt then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Houston moved that Mr. Budlong be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Budlong then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Budlong moved that Mr. Knight be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Knight then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

Mr. Backus moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Pending which,

Mr. Taylor moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Garfield asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from this evening until Thursday.

Mr. Hubbard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from this evening until Tuesday evening.

By unanimous consent the House took up the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Stowe in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873 ;

2. House bill No. 201, entitled

A bill to amend section 7 of article 3 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Olio ;"

3. House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of public works of the city of Grand Rapids and the commissioners of highways of the townships adjacent to the city of Grand Rapids to unite in the improvement of highways lying between said city and townships ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

4. House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to cede jurisdiction to the United States on certain lands, and for the purchase and condemnation thereof," approved March 24, 1874, being act No. 5 of the session laws of 1874 ;

5. House bill No. 336, entitled

A bill supplemental to "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind, in this State," etc., being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 17, 1873 ;

6. House bill No. 339, entitled

A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges ;

7. House bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of Bay City to cause a new assessment to be made upon the property originally chargeable with the expense of constructing the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to levy and collect the tax therefor ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

ISAAC STOWE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the three bills first named,

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were then placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The four bills last named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

By unanimous consent, the following report was made :

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was recommitted

House bill No. 543, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2137 and 2141 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House for printing, in accord-

ance with a resolution of the House which makes the subject matter of the bill special order for 25th inst. Your committee also report the accompanying substitute for section 2 of the bill, which outside parties desire printed as a part of this report, to stand as section 2 :

Sec. 14. Every wife, child, parent, guardian, husband, or other person who shall be injured in person, property, means of support, or otherwise, by any intoxicated person, or by means of the intoxication of any person, shall have a right of action in his or her own name, against any person or persons who shall, by selling or giving any intoxicating liquor or otherwise, have caused or contributed to the intoxication of such person or persons ; and in any such action, the plaintiff shall have a right to recover actual and exemplary damages ; and the owner or lessee, or person or persons, renting or leasing any building or premises, having knowledge that intoxicating liquors are to be sold therein, in violation of any of the provisions of this act, shall be liable, severally and jointly, with the person so selling or giving intoxicating liquors as aforesaid. And in every action by any wife, husband, parent, or child, general reputation of the the relation of husband and wife, parent and child, shall be *prima facie* evidence of such relation ; and the amount recovered by every wife or child, shall be his or her sole and separate property. Any sale or gift of intoxicating liquors by the lessee of any premises, resulting in damage, shall, at the option of the lessor, work a forfeiture of his lease ; and the circuit court in chancery may enjoin the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors by any lessee of premises which may result in loss or damage, or liability to the lessor, or any person claiming under such lessor.

Respectfully,

L. T. REMER.

By the special committee on the liquor traffic :

The special committee on the liquor traffic, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 29, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to Article IV. of the constitution of this State, by striking therefrom section 47 of said article,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution be printed and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

L. T. REMER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The House concurred in the recommendation made by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the special order.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, March 15, 1875.

8 o'clock P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Benjamin, Berk, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, E. H. Green, Howard, Hull, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Livingstone, McLachlin, Meyer, Ocobock, Packard, Ransom, Robbins, Schattler, Taylor, Van Aken, Van Raalte, and Wood.

Mr. Norton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Schattler until to-morrow noon.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The other absentees were granted leave of absence until to-morrow.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 859. By Mr. Northrop: Remonstrance of Rev. S. Clements, Winfield Scott, and 98 others, of the village of Northfield, Michigan, against the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 860. By Mr. Lee: Remonstrance of Rev. Geo. Thompson, J. C. Glenn, and 17 others, citizens of Leelanaw county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 861. By Mr. Lee: Remonstrance of G. Varfurth, P. A. Cordes, and 18 others, citizens of Leelanaw county, relative to the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 862. By Mr. Stephens: Remonstrance of Henrietta G. Taylor and 49 others, who would respectfully protest against the repeal of any existing laws which limit or prohibit the sale of or traffic in intoxicating drinks;

Referred to the special committee on the liquor traffic.

No. 863. By Mr. Metcalf: Remonstrance of Thomas O'Neill, Lawrence Kennedy, Jas. Bennett, Thomas Breumare and 113 others, citizens of Kalamazoo, against the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 864. By Mr. Hertzler: Remonstrance of Gilbert Cousina and 24 other citizens of Erie, Monroe county, against the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 865. By Mr. Hertzler: Remonstrance of Victor Dusseau and 46 other citizens of Erie, Monroe county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 866. By Mr. Norton: Petition of E. J. Walker, O. G. Stuart, N. B. Frederick and 23 other citizens of Oakland county, in reference to a bill appointing a Board of Censors;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 867. By Mr. Norton: Petition of Chas. B. Pittman, T. A. Flower, F.

O. Pittman and 12 other citizens of Oakland County, asking that the tax upon insurance companies be reduced ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 868. By Mr. Ludington : Petition of 41 citizens of Huron County for the repeal of the law creating the office of superintendent of schools ;

Laid on the table.

No. 869. By Mr. Ludington : Remonstrance of M. N. Munger, county superintendent, and 264 others, citizens of Huron county, against the repeal of the law creating the office of school superintendents ;

Laid on the table.

No. 870. By Mr. Walton : Remonstrance of Remuel Rabidaux, and 11 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies jointly.

No. 871. By Mr. Hoyt : Remonstrance of Robert Tenant and 38 citizens of Elkland and Novesta, Tuscola county ;

Also : No. 872. Remonstrance of George T. Sherman and 13 other citizens of the same townships ;

Also : No. 873. Remonstrance of Geo. B. Hunt and 34 others, of the same townships ;

Also : No. 874. Remonstrance of Geo. H. Granger and 103 other citizens of Unionville and Akron ;

Also : No. 875. Remonstrance of Andrew Wolmsby and 15 others, of Elkland and Novesta ;

Also : No. 876. Remonstrance of E. K. Alwood and 6 others ;

Also : No. 877. Remonstrance of John G. Vert and 57 other citizens of Koylton and Kingston ;

Also : No. 878. Remonstrance of James W. Spencer and 19 others ;

Also : No. 879. Remonstrance of Wm. Bailey, A. B. Morkhouse, and 50 others ;

Also : No. 880. Remonstrance of Wm. A. Clark and 32 others ;

Also : No. 881. Remonstrance of Wm. Fenner and 88 others ;

Also : No. 882. Remonstrance of C. O. Stodard and 35 others ;

Also : No. 883. Remonstrance of M. V. Millard and 55 others ;

Also : No. 884. Remonstrance of J. M. Dodge and 12 others ;

In all thirteen remonstrances, all of citizens of Tuscola county, against the formation of the county of Butler ;

All referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 885. By Mr. Remer : Remonstrance of Joseph Wood, James Lamb and 100 others against the taxation of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 886. By Mr. Bailey : Remonstrance of P. C. Carruthers, J. L. Simonson and 53 others on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following :

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 12th, 1875. }

HON. J. P. HOTT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives:*

SIR—In response to a resolution of the House, adopted February 27th, I have the honor to submit the enclosed statement of appropriations and disbursements for the Upper Peninsula.

The “amount paid for geological surveys, including salaries, engravings, maps, and publication of the last report,” is the aggregate for the State, there being no data in this office from which the proportion expended in the Upper Peninsula can be ascertained.

Very respectfully,
RALPH ELY,
Auditor General.

The following is the statement:

AMOUNT PAID TO MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURES, CONVENTIONS, AND COMMISSIONS.		
Members of Legislatures.....	\$42,921 99	
“ “ Constitutional Convention of 1850.....	834 00	
“ “ “ “ “ 1867.....	1,669 80	
“ “ “ Commission, 1873.....	255 00	
		\$45,680 79
EXPENSE OF JUDICIARY.		
Salary of District Judge.....	\$12,000 00	
“ “ “ Attorney.....	8,720 83	
“ “ Judge of 11th Circuit.....	\$16,125 00	
“ “ “ 12th Circuit.....	14,041 67	
	80,166 67	
		\$50,887 50
AMOUNT PAID FOR GEOLOGICAL SURVEYS, INCLUDING SALARIES, ENGRAVINGS, MAPS AND PUBLICATION OF THE LAST REPORT.		
<i>First Survey—</i>		
Under Act No. 20, 1837.....	\$3,000 00	
“ “ 49, 1838.....	86,000 00	
“ Acts Nos. 79 of 1840, 73 of 1842, 79 of 1843, 92 of 1844, 110 of 1845, and 159 of 1846..	11,811 76	
		\$50,811 76
<i>Second Survey—</i>		
Under Act No. 206, 1859.....	\$5,000 00	
“ “ 64, 1861.....	1,080 91	
	6,080 91	
<i>Third Survey—</i>		
Under Act No. 65, 1869.....	\$16,000 00	
“ “ 179, 1871.....	24,000 00	
“ J. R. No. 3, 1872.....	20,000 00	
	60,000 00	
		\$116,892 67
APPORTIONMENT OF PRIMARY SCHOOL MONEY TO COUNTIES.		
Chippewa.....	\$4,419 05	
Delta.....	1,455 71	
Houghton.....	18,245 60	
Keweenaw.....	6,819 52	
Mackinac.....	6,140 54	
Marquette.....	13,887 89	
Menominee.....	1,406 71	
Ontonagon.....	8,655 94	
Schoolcraft.....	153 92	
		\$61,184 88

AMOUNT OF MINING SPECIFIC TAX PAID, CREDITED, OR REMITTED TO COUNTIES.

Paid or credited to Houghton county.....	\$42,593 25	
" " Keweenaw "	5,173 56	
" " Marquette "	25,174 42	
" " Ontonagon "	14,626 57	
	<u>\$87,567 80</u>	
Aggregate tax remitted under Act No. 177, 1863 (estimated)	23,479 00	
		<u>\$111,046 80</u>

EXPENSE OF SWAMP LAND STATE ROADS.

Amount paid on Swamp Land roads.....	\$747,403 84	
Salary of Swamp Land State Road Com'r, U. P.	\$4,713 67	
" clerk of Swamp L'd State R'd Com'r, U. P.	1,150 00	
Expense of Swamp L'd St. R'd Com'r's office, U. P... ..	2,178 73	
	<u>8,042 40</u>	
		<u>\$755,444 74</u>

AMOUNT EXPENDED THROUGH STATE TREASURY FOR CANALS.

St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal.....	* \$290,482 80	
Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal.....	88 25	
		<u>\$290,571 05</u>

AMOUNT OF LAND GRANTS FOR CANALS, RAILROADS, &C.

	Number of Acres.	Amount at \$1.25 per Acre.	
<i>United States grants.</i> ¹			
St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal.....	750,000.00	\$937,500 00	
Portage Lake and Lake Superior Ship Canal.....	400,000.00	500,000 00	
Lac La Belle Ship Canal	100,000.00	125,000 00	
Chicago & Northwestern R. R.....	590,908.28	738,629 10	
Bay de Noc & Marquette R. R....	128,000.00	160,000 00	
Marquette, Houghton & Ontona- gon R. R.	432,707.47	540,884 33	
Ft. Howard & Fort Wilkins wagon road.....	221,013.35	276,266 69	
			<u>\$3,278,280 12</u>
<i>State grants.</i>			
Chicago & N. W. R. R., Act No. 206, 1871.....	141,769.79	\$177,212 23	
R. R. from Mackinac to Marquette, Act No. 36, 1873 (estimated) ..	1,000,000.00	1,250,000 00	
			<u>1,427,212 23</u>
			<u>4,705,492 35</u>
Total.....			<u>\$6,136,700 78</u>

Recapitulation—

Members of Legislatures, Conventions, and Commissions.....	\$45,680 79
Expense of judiciary.....	50,887 50
Geological surveys.....	116,892 67
Apportionment of Primary School money.....	61,184 88
Mining specific tax paid, credited, or remitted to counties.....	111,046 80
Swamp Land State Roads.....	755,444 74
Canals.....	290,571 05
United States land grants.....	3,278,280 12
State land grants.....	1,427,212 23
Total as above.....	<u>\$6,136,700 78</u>

¹ Includes \$8,050 86 under Act No. 75, 1887, and Act No. 91, 1888.² Actually patented or certified, as shown by the report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office for 1874.

The communication and statement were laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 12, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a township by the name of Echo;

2. House bill No. 377, entitled

A bill to provide for a registration of the electors in the city of Ann Arbor; In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 11, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,"

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the title of the same so as to read as follows:

"A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,' approved April 30, 1873,"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The House concurred in the amendment made by the Senate to the title of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 16, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Crosby.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave, Messrs. F. O. Clark, E. H. Green, Hull, Kilbourne, Livingstone, Meyer, Sweetland, and Van Aken.

Mr. Ranney asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Aken until tomorrow noon.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sweetland for the day.

Mr. Stowe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Meyer for the forenoon.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green for the day.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hull, indefinitely, on account of sickness in his family.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Livingstone for the day.

Mr. Benjamin asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. F. O. Clark for the day.

Mr. Bartow asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, indefinitely.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 887. By Mr. Greiner: Remonstrance of Rev. L. Hendricks, John Martin, and 17 others, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 888. By Mr. Cole: Remonstrance of James Dampsey and 74 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 889. By Mr. Ranney: Remonstrance of I. R. A. Wightman, J. A. Smith, Geo. H. Painter, and 87 others, citizens of Hillsdale, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 890. By Mr. Ranney: Petition of E. N. Cape, T. Britton, W. C. Turner, and 37 others, of Amboy, Hillsdale county, asking Congress for \$200 instead of 160 acres of land for U. S. soldiers and sailors engaged in the war for the suppression of the rebellion;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 891. By Mr. Budlong: Remonstrance of Hon. S. E. Robinson, Joseph Shipp, James P. Bickford, and 113 other citizens of Calhoun county, against the passage of bill No. 316, to provide for the protection and propagation of fish in Brace Lake.

On demand of Mr. Budlong,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of the townships of Eckford, Fredonia, and the

city of Marshall, Calhoun county, Michigan, would most respectfully remonstrate against the passage, by your honorable body, of House bill number three hundred and sixteen (316), entitled "A bill to provide for the protection and propagation of fish in Brace Lake, Calhoun county, Michigan." Your petitioners would respectfully represent that Brace Lake is a meandered body of water, situated in the townships of Eckford and Fredonia, and distant two miles from the city of Marshall, is easy of access from a public highway running along the eastern shore, and is a pleasant "summer resort." We would further represent that, in our opinion, there is in said lake an abundant supply of fish, which is fully attested by those who have had ample opportunity to know, and believing that the fishing interest in said water is sufficiently protected by the "Laws of the State." And your petitioners have reason to believe that the objects sought in said bill is to give to a few individuals possession and exclusive control of said lake for personal and selfish interest, granting special privileges to a few, and is therefore unjust and opposed to the general good.

We, therefore, your petitioners, would respectfully, but most earnestly, request your honorable body to oppose the enactment of a law which will deprive any citizen of exercising the right to go upon said waters, free and unmolested, for the purpose of pleasure, fishing, or otherwise.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on fisheries.

No. 892. By Mr. Whitney : Remonstrance of Christina Brownell, Edgar Bennett, F. A. Bail, and 131 others, against incorporating certain territory into the village of Casinovia, in the counties of Kent and Muskegon ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 893. By Mr. Mercer : Petition of Mrs. J. A. Sprague, Mrs. Wm. H. Champlin, and 20 other ladies of the village of Saranac, to amend the prohibitory liquor law so as to make it more effectual ;

Laid on the table.

No. 894. By Mr. Mercer : Petition of Peter Clark, Thomas Wilson, and 42 others, on the same subject ;

Laid on the table.

No. 895. By Mr. Daly : Remonstrance against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 896. By Mr. Houston : Remonstrance of D. Callaerd, F. A. Stace, and 48 others, citizens of Calhoun county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 897. By Mr. Houston : Remonstrance of Geo. W. Briggs, M. J. Alexander, and 65 other citizens of the city of Marshall and Calhoun county, against amending the law relative to taxing national and State banks ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 898. By Mr. Campbell : Protest of Mrs. M. Potter, Mrs. M. Brownell, Mrs. Emily L. Bill, and 34 other ladies of Oxford, Oakland county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law ;

Laid on the table.

No. 899. By Mr. Hale : Remonstrance of A. C. Dutton, P. R. Hurd, Joseph Carr, E. S. Gary, John M. Corbin, and 29 other citizens of Eaton Rapids, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend section 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the organization of the supreme court, pursuant to section 2 of Article VI. of the Constitution," approved February 16, 1857, being section 4901 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section thirteen of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Lyons," approved March 1, 1867,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend section forty (40) of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Olivet," approved March 19, 1867,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to establish a board of public works in and for the city of Detroit," approved April 29, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

No. 914. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Joseph Sawyer, Peter Connor, and 34 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject:

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 915. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Joseph Nichol, Geo. Fletcher, and 12 other residents of Sanilac county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 916. By Mr. Hart: Petition of T. S. Davis, C. W. Stone, and 74 others, relative to the division of Roscommon county into townships;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 917. By Mr. Robbins: Resolutions of the Lenawee county Teachers' Association.

On demand of Mr. Robbins,

The resolutions were read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, Numerous petitions have been forwarded, asking for the repeal of the county superintendency, and to establish the system of town inspectors,

Resolved, That the Lenawee County Teachers' Association, now in session, fully appreciating the benefits of the present system, enter their earnest protest against the proposed change.

Resolved, That we believe it would be a severe blow to our educational system to repeal the present law, and that the best interests of our schools demand a continuance of the law creating the county superintendency.

Resolved, That as educators and teachers, interested in the welfare of our schools, we believe that to return to the town inspector system, would be to take a long step backward, and practically abolish all benefits of examination of teachers.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be forwarded to the State legislature.

The above resolutions were adopted unanimously by the association, on a rising vote, at the session held in Adrian, Saturday, March 13, 1875.

ALICE TAYLOR, *Secretary*.

E. G. WALKER, *President*.

The resolutions were laid on the table.

No. 918. By Mr. I. Green: Remonstrance of Edward Smith and 24 others against the taxation of church property.

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 128, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of Chap. 114 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being Sec. 6407 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to attachments,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 357, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Wyandotte, being act No. 297 of the session laws of 1867, as amended by act No. 246 of the session laws of 1873, being sections 4, 36, 39, 49, 52, 85, 86, and to repeal section 2, and to add four new sections, 19, 90, 91, 92, and 93,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8, 9, 13, 15, and 21 of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled an act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Vassar,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 393, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 2 of act No. 202 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Whitehall,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 402, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Zeeland, in the county of Ottawa, State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. A. R. Wheeler,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 214, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Vandalia,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. A. R. Wheeler,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, as amended by an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved April 19, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House Bill No. 47, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, as amended by an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Niles," approved February 12, 1859, approved March 16, 1867, as amended by an act No. 260, approved April 19, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,
The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 12, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR—I am instructed to respectfully request the House to return to the Senate

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,
The bill was taken from the table.

Pending the concurrence in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The request of the Senate was granted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators of the contracts of deceased persons, for the conveyance of real estate,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Bartow,	Ferguson,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Morse,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hale,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Knight,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Lay,	Rich,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds and other instruments affecting the title to real estate,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Towne,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walker,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walton,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Knight,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Rich,	71

NAYS.

Mr. Hart,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Wood,	Mr. Speaker,	4
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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Moshier,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Parker,	Walton,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Preston,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,

On motion of Mr. Howland,
The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 12, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR—I am instructed to respectfully request the House to return to the Senate

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A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The bill was taken from the table.

Pending the concurrence in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The request of the Senate was granted.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 162 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the specific performance by executors and administrators of the contracts of deceased persons, for the conveyance of real estate,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Bartow,	Ferguson,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Morse,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hale,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howland,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Curry,	Knight,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Lay,	Rich,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to provide for recording certified copies of lost deeds and other instruments affecting the title to real estate,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Moshier,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Towne,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walker,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walton,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	West,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	A. B. Wheeler,
Dow,	Knight,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Rich,	71

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Mr. Hart,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Wood,	Mr. Speaker,	4
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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend section 4257 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being an act entitled "An act to provide for recording patents for lands, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Moshier,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Parker,	Walton,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Preston,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	West,
Copley,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. B. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,

Mr. Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,

Mr. Lay,
Lee,

Mr. Rich,
Robbins,

Mr. Wilson,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution for publishing in pamphlet form all laws relating to the public health,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Backus,
Bailey,
Benedict,
Benjamin,
Billings,
Bradfield,
C. Brown,
E. A. Brown,
Budlong,
Campbell,
Churchill,
A. K. Clark,
Cole,
Copley,

Mr. Craig,
Curry,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,
Gerrish,
Goodyear,
I. Green,
Greiner,
Hale,
Harris,
Hart,
Hertzler,
Howland,
Huggett,

Mr. Hulbert,
Hunt,
Klein,
Lay,
Lee,
Ludington,
McLachlin,
Mercer,
Metcalf,
Morse,
Moshier,
Neff,
Northrop,
Norton,
Ocobock,

Mr. Parker,
Preston,
Ranney,
Reed,
Rich,
Robinson,
Stephens,
Towne,
Walker,
Watkins,
West,
A. R. Wheeler,
Wiley,
Wilson,

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Mr. Hewitt,
Keyes,
Ransom,

Mr. Robbins,
Smith,
Stowe,

Mr. Sutton,
Walton,
I. P. Wheeler,

Mr. Whitney,
Wood,
Speaker,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

Senate bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for the uniform inspection of lumber," approved March 25, 1871, and the act amendatory thereof, approved April 10, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Backus,
Bailey,
Benedict,
Benjamin,
Billings,
Bradfield,
Briggs,
C. Brown,
E. A. Brown,
Budlong,

Mr. Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,
Gerrish,
I. Green,
Greiner,
Harris,
Hart,
Hertzler,
Hewitt,

Mr. Lee,
Ludington,
McLachlin,
Metcalf,
Morse,
Moshier,
Neff,
Northrop,
Norton,
Ocobock,
Packard,

Mr. Robinson,
Smith,
Stowe,
Struble,
Sutton,
Towne,
Van Raalte,
Walker,
Walton,
West,
A. R. Wheeler,

Mr. Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Craig, Curry.	Mr. Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Parker, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robbins.	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	68
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Walton,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill relative to the use of sleeping, parlor, and chair cars upon the railroads of this State,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the bill by adding to line 6, of section 1, the words: "Not to exceed $\frac{1}{4}$ of one cent per mile;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Robbins moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "suitable," in line 2 of section 2, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "first-class;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on railroads with instructions to amend the bill by striking out the word "suitable," in line 2, of section 2, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "first-class."

Senate bill No. 58, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 of an act entitled "An act to amend chapter 114 of the Revised Statutes, entitled 'Of proceedings against debtors by attachment,'" being consecutive section 6431 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Copley, Dow,	Mr. Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Huggett, Hunt, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Metcalf, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Van Raulte, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson,
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Mr. Eggleston, Gerrish,	Mr. Lee, Ludington,	Mr. Robinson, Smith,	Mr. Wood, Speaker,	68
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Mr. Craig, Daly,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Ocobock,	5

Title agreed to.

Senate joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Edward A. Durant,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Parker moved to insert in line 13 of the resolution, after the word "discretion," the words "upon proper proof of the facts above stated ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The joint resolution was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Churchill, A. K. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Daly, Eggleston,	Mr. Ferguson, Gerrish, I. Green, Greiner, Harris, Hertzler, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes, Klein,	Mr. Knight, Lay, Lee, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Potter,	Mr. Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Robinson, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Van Raalte, A. R. Wheeler, Wiley,	57
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Mr. Benjamin, Budlong, Campbell, Dow,	Mr. Huggett, Parker, Smith, Stephens,	Mr. Stowe, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler,	Mr. Whitney, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	16
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Title and preamble agreed to.

Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment into the county treasury of interest or other moneys received by county treasurers for the use of public moneys.

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

The bill was laid on the table.

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane to convey certain State land in the village of Kalamazoo, for the purpose of extending Howard street,

Was read a third time and passed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Smith,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hart,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Houston,	Norton,	Walton,
Campbell,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Howland,	Packard,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Rich,	Speaker,
Eggleston,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to provide for the inspection of illuminating oils manufactured from petroleum, or coal oils,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on public health.

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8 and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647 and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110 and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871.

Pending the reading thereof,

Mr. Wood moved to lay the bill on the table ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wilson moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to lay the bill on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on laying the bill on the table,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 503, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 7, and 9 of an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools, and to amend section 91, and repeal

sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90 of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws," approved March 13, 1867, and being sections 3759, 3761, 3762, and 3764 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 503, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 7, and 9, of an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools, and to amend section 91 and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90, of chapter 78, of Compiled Laws," approved March 13, 1867, and being sections 3759, 3761, 3762, and 3764, of the Compiled Laws of 1871."

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Robbins,
Briggs,	Hale,	Morse,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
Copley,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walker,
Curry,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	West,
Daly,	Hulbert	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Rich,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bailey,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Harris,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Houston,	Moshier,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hunt,	Preston,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Klein,	Ransom,	Whitney,

Mr. Cole, Craig,	Mr. Knight, Lay,	Mr. Reed, Robinson,	Mr. Wilson, Wood,	52
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Morse moved that Mr. Livingstone be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Livingstone then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Klein moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above.

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to amend sections 68 and 80 of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 3638 and 3649, relating to primary schools ;

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for county superintendents of schools," and to amend section 91, and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, and 90, of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws ;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Metcalf moved to amend the bill by adding to the end of section 1 the following :

"But this section shall not apply to those counties where, by a majority vote of all the supervisors elect, at the annual session of such board in each year, it may be decided to employ a county superintendent of schools ;"

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Daly,	Mr. Dow, Goodyear, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hertzler, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Huggett, Hulbert, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein,	Mr. Knight, Lay, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Packard, Parker, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich,	Mr. Robinson, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,	63
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Mr. C. Brown, Churchill, Curry,	Mr. I. Green, Hart, Hewitt,	Mr. Northrop, Norton, Ocobock,	Mr. Struble, Van Raalte, West,
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Mr. Eggleston,
Ferguson,
Gerrish,

Mr. Lee,
Metcalf,
Morse,

Mr. Remer,
Robbins,

Mr. A. R. Wheeler,
Wiley,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Rich moved that Mr. Reed be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Reed then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Backus moved that Mr. Schattler be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Schattler then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Wood, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8, and to repeal section 13 of chapter 12, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being consecutive sections 643, 647, and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. West moved to amend the bill:

1st. By striking out recited section 111;

2d. By striking out the words "one hundred and eleven," in line 7 of section 1;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Howard moved to amend by striking out the word "two," in line 2 of recited section 109, and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "three;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Wood moved to amend recited section 110, by adding at the end thereof the following: "Every city in which all the schools have not been so authorized by special enactment, shall, with the other city officers, elect one superintendent of schools at each annual election, who shall, for the said city, possess the like powers as township superintendents, authorized by this act to be elected, and the clerks of any such city shall in like manner possess and exercise the like powers as are herein granted to township clerks;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

Mr. Daly moved to amend recited section 108,

1st. By striking out of line 1 the word "township," before the word "superintendent ;"

2d. By inserting after the word "superintendent," the words "or teachers;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Wood moved that the bill be referred to the committee on education,

with instructions to report such amendments as will adapt the act for the government of the schools of cities as well as of townships.

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was so re-committed.

House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to re-incorporate the village of Benton Harbor," approved April 3, 1869,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	Hale,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Morse,	Taylor,
O. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Norton,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hunt,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Knight,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Dow,	Lay,	Reed,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Rich,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robinson,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. West,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The following report was made:

By the committee on railroads:

The committee on railroads, to whom was re-committed

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill relative to the use of sleeping, parlor, and chair cars upon the railroads of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend concurrence in the amendment, and that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Robbins,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Schattler,
Billings,	Hale,	Mercer,	Smith,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Struble,
C Brown,	Houston,	Moshier,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Northrop,	Towne,
Badlong,	Howland,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hunt,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Knight,	Reed,	Speaker,
Dow,	Lay,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Copley moved to reconsider the vote by which the House ordered House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to provide for a county superintendent of schools," and amend section 91 and repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 90 of chapter 78 of Compiled Laws,

To take immediate effect ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on ordering the bill to take immediate effect,

On motion of Mr. Copley,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take effect on the first Monday of April next.

Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Mason, under act No. 178, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities," approved April 19, 1873,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 158, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Detroit to manufacture and sell illuminating gas,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Schattler,
Benedict,	Harris,	Meyer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Hart,	Morse,	Stephens,
Billings,	Hertaler,	Moshier,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Norton,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Howland,	Ocoboek,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hunt,	Packard,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Parker,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Watkins,
Copley,	Knight,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Lay,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Lee,	Reed,	Whitney,
Dow,	Livingstone,	Remer,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Ludington,	Rich,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	McLachlin,	Robbins,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Mercer,	Robinson,	Speaker,
I. Green,			

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Title agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Daly,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.
House bill No. 25, entitled
A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Negaunee, in Marquette county," approved April 11, 1873,
Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Reed,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Ludington,	Remer,
C. Brown,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Robbins,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Robinson,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Smith,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Struble,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Morse,	Sutton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Cole,	Huggett,	Neff,	Towne,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Northrop,	Walton,
Daly,	Hunt,	Norton,	West,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Ocoboek,	A. R. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Preston,	Whitney,
I. Green,	Lee,	Ransom,	Wiley,

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Mr. Dow,	Mr. Wilson,	Mr. Speaker,	
Title agreed to.			3

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 530, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of Bay City to cause a new assessment to be made upon the property originally chargeable with the expense of constructing the Fourteenth street sewer in said city, and to levy and collect the tax therefor,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Billings,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Briggs,	Harris,	Moshier,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Howard,	Norton,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Knight,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Lay,	Remer,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lee,		

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Mr. Hart, Mr. Keyes,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Budlong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

House bill No. 339, entitled

A bill to incorporate State and subordinate granges,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Remer,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Lee,	Rich,
Benedict,	Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Robbins,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robinson,
Billings,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Bradfield,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Towne,

Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Howard,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Watkins,
Cole,	Hunt,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	Speaker,
Daly,	Knight,	Reed,	75
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Budlong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 207, entitled

A bill to amend section 7, of article 3, of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Olio,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	I. Green,	Meroer,	Smith,
Benjamin.	Harris,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Billings,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Struble,
Briggs,	Houston,	Neff,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Howland,	Norton,	Towne,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Parker,	Walton,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	West,
Curry,	Knight,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Lay,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Rich,	Whitney,
Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robbins,	Wiley,
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Billings moved to amend the title by inserting the words "and eight," after the word "seven;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

House bill No 336, entitled

A bill supplemental to an act entitled "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind in this State," etc., being act 109 of the laws of 1873, approved April 17, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harris,	Mercer,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Neff,	Walker,
Churchill,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Norton,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Cole,	Huggett,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Halbert,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hunt,	Preston,	Whitney,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wood,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Speaker,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Bradfield, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on ways and means.

House bill No. 239, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of public works of the city of Grand Rapids and the commissioners of highways of townships adjacent to the city of Grand Rapids to unite in the improvement of highways lying between said city and townships,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Benedict,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Smith,
Billings,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Meyer,	Stowe,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Morse,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
Churchill,	Houston,	Northrop,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,

Mr. F. O. Clark,	Mr. Howland,	Mr. Ooebock,	Mr. Walker,
Cole,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walton,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
Craig,	Hunt,	Preston,	West,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Rich,	Speaker,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 122, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to cede jurisdiction to the United States, on certain lands, and for the purchase and condemnation thereof," approved March 24, 1874, being Act No. 5 of the session laws of 1874,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Curry,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Ranney,
Benedict,	Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,
Benjamin,	Dow,	Klein,	Reed,
Bradfield,	Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,
Briggs,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
Budlong,	Greiner,	Morse,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Harris,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Neff,	Towne,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Cole,	Howard,	Packard,	Watkins,
Copley,	Howland,	Parker,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hulbert,		

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Mr. Billings,	Mr. Hunt,	Mr. Rich,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler,
E. A. Brown,	Lay,	Smith,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Mercer,	Stephens,	Wilson,
Hart,	Northrop,	Stowe,	Speaker,
Huggett,	Preston,	West,	

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that Mr. Benjamin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Benjamin then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ransom,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House recommitted to the committee on ways and means,

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on re-committing the bill to the committee on ways and means,

The same was not re-committed,

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Briggs moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Ransom,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Metcalf,	Robbins,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Remer,
Churchill,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Schattler,
Copley,	Howard,	Neff,	Stephens,
Craig,	Hunt,	Northrop,	Struble,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Dow,	Klein,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Parker,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Livingstone,	Potter,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Ludington,		

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Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Cole,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Eggleston,	Lay,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Hale,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hart,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Preston,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Ranney,	West,
Budlong,	Houston,	Reed,	Whitney,
Campbell,	Howland,	Rich,	Wiley,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Robbins,	Wilson,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Copley moved that the members from the Upper Peninsula be excused from voting;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Dow moved that Mr. Taylor be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Taylor then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Howard moved that Mr. Parker be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Parker then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Rich moved that Mr. Stephens be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Stephens then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hertzler moved that Mr. Billings be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Billings then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. Bailey be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Bailey then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hertzler moved that Mr. Daly be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Daly then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Kilbourne, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table Senate bill No. 83, entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Mason under act No. 178 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act for the incorporation of cities," approved April 19, 1873;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Rich,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Robbins,
O. Brown,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Schattler,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Mercer,	Smith,
Budlong,	Hart,	Morse,	Stephens,
Campbell,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Stowe,
A. K. Clark,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Struble,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Sutton,
Cole,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Copley,	Howard,	Packard,	Towne,
Craig,	Howland,	Parker,	Walton,
Curry,	Huggett,	Potter,	Watkins,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Preston,	West,
Dow,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Klein,	Reed,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Remer,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Lee,		

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Robbins, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 18, entitled

A bill relative to the organization and powers of stock, fire, and marine insurance companies transacting business within this State, and to repeal chapter 45 and chapter 99 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 and acts No. 52 and 149 of the session laws of 1873;

Which motion prevailed.
On motion of Mr. Robbins,
The bill was placed on the order of third reading.
By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to re-organize the tenth judicial circuit, and create the twenty-first judicial circuit ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14 of chapter 88 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,' " approved March 7, 1873 ;

2. House bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum, for lighting passenger cars ;

3. House bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same ;

4. House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to amend section 3582, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors ;

5. House bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Huron, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton ;

6. House bill No. 304, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to cause the boundary lines between the said counties to be surveyed ;

7. House bill No. 211, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county ;

8. House bill No. 290, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a township by the name of Echo;

9. House bill No. 215, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

10. House bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton;

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Parker, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of the hall of the House be and the same is hereby granted for to-morrow evening, for the purpose of a public address on the subject of the liquor traffic, by S. B. McCracken, of Detroit;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Wednesday, March 17, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Jennings.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. E. H. Green, Howard, Kilbourne, and Sweetland.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Howard for the day.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Sweetland indefinitely.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green for the day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 920. By Mr. Dow: Remonstrance of D. W. Heath, A. J. Wixon, E. Dunning, and 51 others, citizens of Oakland county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 163, to prevent the hounding of deer;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 921. By Mr. Schattler: Remonstrance of H. J. V. Hendricks and 48 others, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 922. By Mr. C. Brown: Remonstrance of W. W. Bliss, T. G. Beagle, and 70 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 923. By Mr. Goodyear : Petition of Eber H. Lake, Geo. W. Sydey, and 32 others, citizens of Barry county, in favor of authorizing school inspectors of Carlton and Hastings to re-organize certain school districts in said county ;

Referred to the committee on education.

No. 924. By Mr. Ransom : Remonstrance of Rev. J. O. Pulcher and 85 others, pastor and members of St. James Roman Catholic church of Grand Rapids, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 925. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Remonstrance of E. P. Wood and 73 others, against organizing the township of Ingallston ;

Laid on the table.

No. 926. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Memorial of S. C. Hayward and 65 others, asking that the Legislature pass House bill No. 75, in relation to the township of Ingallston ;

Laid on the table.

No. 927. By Mr. Hollon : Remonstrance of J. A. Farrell and 49 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 928. By Mr. Hollon : Remonstrance of Andrew O. Farrell and 45 others, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 929. By Mr. F. O. Clark : Petition of J. S. Fraud and 62 others, to promote the construction of the Menominee River Railroad ;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 930. By Mr. Walker : Remonstrance of M. V. Bruce and 308 others of St. Johns, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 931. By Mr. Walker : Remonstrance of Patrick Plunkett and 40 others, of Clinton county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 932. By Mr. Townsend : Remonstrance of John J. Bruce, Alex. Sinclair, William Riley, and 70 others, residents of the township of Burnside, Lapeer county, against the bill detaching the township of Burnside from Lapeer county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 933. By Mr. Townsend : Remonstrance of E. E. Palmer, S. Fitch, O. M. Dodge, and 80 other residents of Lapeer county, against the organization of the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 934. By Mr. Churchill : Remonstrance of A. W. Comstock, Rev. W. W. Rafter, I. S. Minor, and 40 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 935. By Mr. Churchill : Remonstrance of 80 citizens of Alpena, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 936. By Mr. Copley : Remonstrance of Mrs. E. H. Brown, Mrs. M. A. Blackman, Mrs. E. Smith, and 164 other women of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Paw Paw, Van Buren county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law ;

Laid on the table.

No. 937. By Mr. Copley : Petition of A. Sherman, E. O. Briggs, and 115 other citizens of Paw Paw, asking that rates of passenger fare on the Paw Paw Railroad be increased ;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 938. By Mr. Copley : Petition of Peter Walker, F. B. Adams, and 49 other citizens of Lawton, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on railroads.

No. 939. By Mr. Kilbourne for Mr. Little : Preamble and resolutions of the common council of Saginaw city.

On demand of Mr. Kilbourne,

The resolutions were read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

At a special meeting of the common council of Saginaw, held on call of the Mayor, at the council room, Thursday evening, March 11th, the council was called to order by Mayor Hanchett.

Roll called : quorum present.

Ald. Gaylord offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, This council has been informed that a bill is now before the Legislature by which it is proposed to create a superior court in the city of East Saginaw, of enlarged jurisdiction, and which will have jurisdiction in certain cases over the citizens of this city in civil actions ;

Resolved, That this council does hereby protest and remonstrate against the creation of such court for the following reasons among others :

1. The circuit court can be readily relieved of any accumulation of business by the creation of a new circuit at no greater expense to the State than will be caused by such superior court, or by a re-arrangement of the circuit which will make Saginaw county a circuit by itself at no additional expense to the State.

2. Situated as this city is, immediately adjoining the city of East Saginaw, and with the well-known local feeling existing between the two cities, we believe it to be unjust and impolitic to subject our citizens to the jurisdiction of a court in which we have no representation either as to judge or jury.

Resolved, That we regard the proposition to create such a court as a renewed attempt, indirectly, to transfer the county seat from this city to East Saginaw an act which has been repeatedly directly attempted heretofore, over which there has been a long struggle between this city and East Saginaw, and which has only been defeated by a very large outlay by this city, in the erection of public buildings for the county.

Resolved, That our Senator, Hon. W. L. Webber, and our Representative, Hon. C. D. Little, be earnestly requested to use all their influence to prevent the creation of such court ; and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the Recorder to each of them.

The preamble and resolutions were referred to the committee on judiciary.

No. 940. By Mr. Kilbourne : Petition of S. T. Illick and many other citizens.

of the city of Detroit, praying for certain amendments to the prohibitory liquor law, making the same more stringent ;

Laid on the table.

No. 941. By Mr. Preston : Petition of Byron Smith and 60 other residents of Homer, Calhoun county, Mich., asking that the tax on fire and marine insurance premiums be reduced ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

Mr. Armstrong, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Presque Isle, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of "Posen ;"

Also of

House bill No. 273, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Bismarck ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The bills were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1461, 1462, 1465, 1476, 1480, 1496, and 1500 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections of the act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture, and provide for the inspection of salt ;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. A. R. Wheeler,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on lumber and salt interests.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill relative to criminal cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 429, entitled

A bill to amend sections 9 and 10 of chapter 247, being sections 7661 and

7662 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against public justice,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 517, entitled

A bill providing for the sentence of prisoners in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 210, entitled

A bill in relation to the disbursement of moneys from the Wayne county treasury,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 209, entitled

A bill to provide a method of giving notices of the fees of county and township officers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill granting and defining the powers of incorporated villages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend section 32 of chapter 188, being section 5878 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the taking of depositions,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The majority of the committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 293, entitled

A bill to provide for the apportionment of a proportionate share of the bonded indebtedness of the township of Burton to the city of Flint,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 403, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Reed City,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 299, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of superintendent of State property, and to define his powers and duties, and to fix his compensation,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 318, entitled

A bill to encourage the development and production of petroleum,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred

House bill No. 265, entitled

A bill relating to the incorporation of societies for the prevention of cruelty to children,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

L. HUBBARD, *Acting Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 12, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State :

An act to re-incorporate the village of Augusta, in the county of Kalamazoo, and State of Michigan ;

An act to organize the township of Excelsior, in the county of Kalkaska ;

An act to provide for the exercise by religious societies, of corporate powers for certain purposes ;

An act to provide for a re-registration of electors in the city of Ann Arbor ;

An act to change the name of the plat and village of Granton, in Bay county, to Standish ;

An act to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Livingston ;

An act to detach certain territory from the present township of Otsego Lake, in the unorganized county of Otsego, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Charlton ;

An act to organize the county of Otsego.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER.
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to require supervisors, directors, and overseers of the poor to make certain annual reports to the county superintendents of the poor ;

2. Senate bill No. 146, entitled

A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 55, being section 2000 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to gaming or betting at cards or dice ;

3. Senate bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to define the powers of notaries in certain cases ;

4. Senate bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to amend section 7585 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against property ;

5. Senate bill No. 139, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 201, (being section 6406 of the Compiled Laws of 1871), relative to proceedings against debtors by attachment ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The second, third, fourth, and fifth named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution :

Senate joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to examine and adjust certain specific taxes ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 119, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 17 of "An act to create a board of State Swamp Land Commissioners, and to repeal act No. 76, of the session laws of 1867," being sections 4003 and 4019, of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take effect May 1, 1875, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 134, entitled

A bill for the protection of farmers, fruit growers, and gardeners ;

2. Senate bill No. 136, entitled

A bill to provide for the compilation and distribution of the election laws to certain county, township, and city officers ;

3. Senate bill No. 138, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of chapter 189 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 5979, relative to the return and summoning of jurors ;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 144, entitled

A bill to repeal section 4204, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed;

2. Senate bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to prevent masters of vessels from signing false bills of lading;

3. Senate bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person entering into any contract with any city or village while a member of the common council of such city, or of the common council or board of trustees of such village;

4. Senate bill No. 148, entitled

A bill to amend section 5968, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to evidence;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The third and fourth named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution providing for the payment of interest on certain adjudicated claims,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committees on ways and means and judiciary, jointly.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick ;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By inserting after the word "birth," in line 1 of section 1, the words "or extraction ;"

2. By striking out the words "(provided such distress is not occasioned by drunkenness or crime)," in lines 13 and 14 of section 2 ;

3. By inserting in line 2 of section 3, after the word "and," the words, "upon payment of a fee of 75 cents ;"

4. By striking out all after the word "dollars," in line 4 of section 4, ~~to~~ and including the word "pleasure," in line 6 of said section ;

5. By striking out the word "and" where it first occurs in line 3 of section 5, and inserting "or of" in lieu thereof ;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the first, second, third, ~~and~~ fifth amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Remer,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Rich,
Billings,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Robinson,
Bradfield,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Schattler,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Morse,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Stephens,
Badlong,	Howland,	Neff,	Struble,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	Sutton,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Norton,	Towne,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Cole,	Hunt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Keyes,	Parker,	Walton,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Watkins,
Dow,	Klein,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Reed,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Lee,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Mercer,

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Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the fourth amendment made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Goodyear,

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hertzler,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Stowe,
Benjamin,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Struble,
Billings,	Hollon,	Neff,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Howland,	Northrop,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Towne,
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hunt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Keyes,	Parker,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Walton,
Cole,	Klein,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Copley,	Knight,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Lay,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Rich,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	Wiley,
I. Green,	Ludington,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Greiner,	Mercer,	Schattler,	Wood,
Harris,	Meyer,	Smith,	Speaker,
Hart,			

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The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Stanton;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 94, entitled

A bill to provide for the examination of certain forfeited Agricultural College, Salt Spring, and other lands,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Gladwin;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table,

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing during the months of December, January, February, and March, in the inland lakes in the county of Oceana;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Lee,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Livingstone,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harden,	Ludington,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hertzler,	Meyer,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hollon,	Morse,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Neff,	West,
Cole,	Hunt,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Robinson,	51

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Ocobock,	Mr. Smith,
Benjamin,	Houston,	Packard,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Struble,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Preston,	Sutton,
Churchill,	Hull,	Ranney,	Taylor,
Copley,	Mercer,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Goodyear,	Moshier,	Rich,	Whitney,
Greiner,	Northrop,	Schattler,	Wood,
Harris,	Norton,		32

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Towne moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Budlong moved that Mr. Preston be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Preston then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hertzler moved that Mr. Briggs be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Briggs then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. Houston be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Houston then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Moshier moved that Mr. Dow be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Dow then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Greiner moved that Mr. Schattler be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Schattler then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Robinson moved that Mr. Ranney be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ranney then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Schattler moved that Mr. Hubbard be excused from voting ;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hubbard then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

Mr. Gerrish, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table
House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road in Osceola county,
to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by
the Senate,

On motion of Mr. Gerrish,

The House concurred therein, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Ranney,
Backus,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Reed,
Benjamin,	Hart,	McLaughlin,	Rich,
Briggs,	Hertzer,	Mercer,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Metcalf,	Robinson,
Campbell,	Howland,	Meyer,	Towne,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Morse,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hunt,	Moshier,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Neff,	Watkins,
Copley,	Kilbourne,	Northrop,	West,
Curry,	Klein,	Norton,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Lay,	Ocobock,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Parker,	Speaker,
Ferguson,			

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Mr. Billings,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Preston,	Mr. Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ransom,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Houston,	Schattler,	Walton,
Eggleston,	Hubbard,	Smith,	I. P. Wheeler,
Goodyear,	Hull,	Stephens,	Whitney,
Greiner,	Knight,	Stowe,	Wiley,
Hale,	Packard,	Struble,	Wood,
Harden,	Potter,	Sutton,	

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for
enrollment.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 18, entitled

A bill relative to the organization and powers of stock fire and marine insurance companies transacting business within this State, and to repeal chapter 45 and chapter 99 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and acts numbered 52 and 149 of the session laws of 1873;

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The bill was re-committed to the committee of the whole.

Mr. Hulbert, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the Governor be respectfully requested to return to the House

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Houghton county;

Which was adopted.

House bill No. 229, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Gladwin;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Hart moved to amend the bill

1st. By striking out of line 2 of section 2, the words "by the said county," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "other counties in this State are entitled."

2d. By inserting in the blank space in line 2 of section 3, the words "village of Gladwin."

3d. By striking out of line 2, of section 4, the word "Grant," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Grant."

4th. By striking out section 5.

5th. By changing the numbers of sections 6, 7, 8 and 9, to 5, 6, 7 and 8, respectively;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Benedict,
Benjamin,
Billings,
C. Brown,
Budlong,
Churchill,
A. K. Clark,
F. O. Clark,
Cole,
Copley,
Daly,
Dow,
Eggleston,
Ferguson,
Gerrish,

Mr. Greiner,
Hale,
Harris,
Hart,
Hertzler,
Hewitt,
Hollon,
Houston,
Howland,
Hubbard,
Huggett,
Hulbert,
Hull,
Hunt,
Keyes,
Kilbourne,

Mr. Knight,
Lay,
Lee,
Livingstone,
Ludington,
McLashin,
Mercer,
Metcalf,
Meyer,
Morse,
Moshier,
Neff,
Northrop,
Ocobock,
Preston,
Ranney,

Mr. Reed,
Rich,
Robbins,
Schattler,
Stephens,
Taylor,
Towne,
Townsend,
Van Raalte,
Walker,
Walton,
Watkins,
West,
A. R. Wheeler,
Whitney,
Wiley,

Mr. Goodyear, I. Green,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Ransom,	Mr. Wilson,	69
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Mr. Campbell, Norton, Packard,	Mr. Potter, Robinson,	Mr. Smith, Stowe,	Mr. I. P. Wheeler, Speaker,	9
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Title agreed to.
On motion of Mr. Hart,
By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 273, entitled
A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Rogers, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Bismarck,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Armstrong moved to amend the bill by striking out section 5, and substituting therefor the following:

"SEC. 5. The annual township meeting in the township of Rogers shall be held at Rogers City, in said township, on the first Monday in April, eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and Simon Herres, Andrew E. Banks and George Krouse are hereby appointed inspectors of election for such meeting ;"

Which motion prevailed.
The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Curry, Daly, Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson,	Mr. Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Hart, Hertzler, Hewitt, Hollon, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Huibert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Livingstone,	Mr. Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Moree, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich, Robbins, Robinson,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walker, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,	79
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Mr. Whitney.
The question being on agreeing to the title,

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Mr. Armstrong moved to amend the title by striking out the word "Bismarck" and inserting the word "Belknap;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 274, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the present township of Presque Isle, in the county of Presque Isle, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Posen,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage ereof,

Mr. Armstrong moved to amend the bill by adding thereto, to stand as section 5, the following:

"SEC. 5. The annual township meeting of the township of Presque Isle shall be held at the house of Frederick Burnham, on the first Monday of April, 1871;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Struble,
Backus,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Bailey,	Hart,	Neff,	Taylor,
Benedict,	Hertzler,	Northrop,	Towne,
Benjamin,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Billings,	Hollon,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Howland,	Potter,	Walker,
E. A. Brown,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Walton,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	West,
Churchill,	Keyes,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Rich,	L. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Knight,	Robinson,	Whitney,
Daly,	Lay,	Schattler,	Wiley,
Dow,	Lee,	Smith,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Livingstone,	Stephens,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Ludington,	Stowe,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Metcalf,		

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Mr. Packard,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN,
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, March 16, 1875.

To the House of Representatives:

In compliance with the request of the House, I return herewith

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

Mr. Hulbert moved that the rule requiring the reconsideration of a vote to be on the same or next subsequent day be suspended;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Hulbert moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments,

Mr. Hulbert moved that the House concur in the first, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth amendments;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Schattler,
Benedict,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Billings,	Hale,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Sutton,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Houston,	Neff,	Towne,
Campbell,	Howland,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
Copley,	Hull,	Potter,	West,
Curry,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Keyes,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,
Dow,	Knight,	Reed,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Rich,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Little,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Livingstone,		

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The question being on concurring in the second amendment,

Mr. Hulbert moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words "Keweenaw and Baraga," after the word "Houghton ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The amendment, as amended, was then concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Schattler,
Billings,	Greiner,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Stephens,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Sutton,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Howland,	Norton,	Towne,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Walton,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	Watkins,
Curry,	Hunt,	Ranney,	West,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Knight,	Bemer,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Rich,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Little,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Livingstone,		

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MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, the sum of five dollars per day during the present session of the Legislature ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Whitney moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 327, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' approved March 29, 1871 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. West offered the following :

Resolved, That the use of the hall of the House be and the same is hereby granted for Monday evening, March 22, for the purpose of a public address on the subject of the effect of spirituous liquor on the human system, by Dr. A. B. Palmer ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Preston moved to take from the table

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Preston,

The bill was referred to a special committee of five, to be appointed by the Speaker.

Mr. Kilbourne moved to take from the table

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Hulbert moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to revise an act entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting, or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5, 1853, and to repeal the acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof ;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hulbert moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Watkins moved to reconsider the vote by which the House laid the bill on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on laying the bill on the table,

The motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Hulbert,

The further consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bill :

House bill No. 135, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto, being act No. 215 of the session laws of 1871, and also to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 53 of act No. 215 of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Greenville,'" approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872 ;

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Smith,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. F. O. Clark in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, of Compiled Laws of 1871;

2. House bill No. 167, entitled

A bill to authorize the Fulton Street Cemetery Association of the city of Grand Rapids to sell unoccupied lots and parts of lots for the non-payment of assessments levied thereon;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

F. O. CLARK, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the two bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

Mr. Klein moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave:

Messrs. Bradfield, Craig, Harden, Keyes, Norton, Parker, and Watkins.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Keyes at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Billings,

Mr. Keyes was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Parker at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

Mr. Parker was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Ransom moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Ransom moved that the House do now adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Daly moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which motion did not prevail.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Norton at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

Mr. Norton was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Watkins at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Remer,

Mr. Watkins was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-arms announced Mr. Bradfield at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

Mr. Bradfield was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Craig at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

Mr. Craig was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Bansom,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Towne,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Thursday, March 18, 1876.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Knappen.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. E. H. Green, Harden, and Kilbourne.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Harden, indefinitely, on account of sickness.

Mr. Hollon asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Little for one hour.

Mr. Van Aken asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. E. H. Green for the day.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Kilbourne for one hour.

The Speaker announced as the special committee of five, authorized by vote of the House, to consider

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to secure the assessment of mortgages for taxation,

Messrs. Preston, Northrop, Taylor, Backus, and Hale.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 942. By Mr. Klein: Petition of Fritz Koll and many others, citizens and tax-payers of Springwells, asking the extension of the limits of Detroit to the river Rouge.

On demand of Mr. Klein,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned citizens and tax-payers of Springwells, would most earnestly and respectfully request your honorable body to extend the limits of the city of Detroit, as far west as the river Rouge. We would respectfully urge that our conviction is, that in the event of such annexation, the extra taxes that would be imposed upon us would be more than compensated by

the advantages of water, sewerage, etc., and more than all else, police protection. We would further represent to your honorable body, that the signers of many remonstrances presented to your honorable body, viz. : Scotten, Eli Barkume, Brothers Buell, Walker, Williams, Hubbard, and others, are principally men who carry on extensive business operations in Detroit, and consequently receive all the benefits of its jurisdiction, at the same time living in and owning in some cases, immense tracts of land in this vicinity, without the city limits, and thus while enjoying all its advantages, they shirk all its responsibilities, which we do not deem proper and just, and we therefore request of your honorable body, as above, to have the limits of said city so extended, and for this we will ever pray, etc.;

The petition was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 943. By Mr. Hunt : Remonstrance of C. M. Garrison and 17 others, against taxing church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 944. By Mr. Metcalf : Petition of Merritt Moore, A. M. Stearns, and 30 other residents of Kalamazoo county, praying that the tax on fire insurance be reduced ;

Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 945. By Mr. Hale : Petition of Dewitt C. Foreman, James Doxie, James E. Roberts, and 87 other citizens of Eaton county, that the resolution asking Congress to give each Union soldier 160 acres of land, be so changed that instead of land each soldier shall receive \$200 in legal tender notes ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 946. By Mr. West : Remonstrance of S. B. Goodenow and 201 others, citizens of Benton Harbor and vicinity, against all legalized dram-selling.

On demand of Mr. West,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

REMONSTRANCE AGAINST ALL LEGALIZED DRAM-SELLING.

BENTON HARBOR, March 11, 1875.

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

We, the subscribers, of Benton Harbor and vicinity, do hereby respectfully and most earnestly petition your honorable bodies :

That, in whatever change of legislation may be made, as regards the liquor traffic, there may be no removal of the present prohibition against saloons and drinking places ; but that whether the present prohibitory law shall be retained or a law for taxation and regulation of the traffic shall be substituted therefor, you will at least make the law more efficient than ever, to prevent the drinking of spirits upon the premises where sold,—with added sections, giving more available means of evidence to convict offenders.

And as in duty bound will ever pray.

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

No. 947. By Mr. Van Raalte : Remonstrance of W. Dickerna, M. D. Howard, and 45 others, of Holland township, against the amendment in the charter of the city of Grand Haven, asking for a larger representation on the board of supervisors of Ottawa county ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 948 By Mr. Van Raalte: Remonstrance of G. T. Richardson, John Green, and 42 others of the township of Jameston, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 949. By Mr. Van Raalte : R-monstrance of Joel Walter, Joseph Brown, and 39 others of the township of Polkton, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 950. By Mr. Van Raalte : Remonstrance of W. R. Barrett, H. W. Carr, and 29 others of the township of Polkton, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 951. By Mr. Van Raalte : R-monstrance of J. G. Van Hees, P. Benjaminse, and 29 others of the township of Zeeland, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 952. By Mr. Houston : Remonstrance of John H. Knight, Wm. Kenyon, and 32 other citizens of Calhoun county, against amending the law relative to taxing shares of national and State banks ;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 953. By Mr. Hollon : Memorial of the board of aldermen of the city of East Saginaw, in regard to the amendments to the charter of said city.

On demand of Mr. Hollon,

The memorial was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE,
East Saginaw, Mich., March 16, 1875. }

To HON. J. A. HOLLON, *Lansing* :

DEAR SIR—The annexed resolution was unanimously adopted by the common council March 15, 1875.

Yours, etc.,

ASAHEL CHASE, *City Clerk.*

Resolved, That in our opinion the only object had in view in enlarging the jurisdiction of the recorder's court of this city, was to relieve in a way which seems the most expedient, the circuit court of this county ; to accommodate those having business before the court, and to lessen the expenses of the county, and of parties having business in the court. That in all these questions the citizens of this city have a vital interest, paying as they do, nearly forty per cent of the total county tax, and more than one-half and nearly two-thirds of all the business, civil and criminal, coming before the circuit court of this county, arising out of suits in which the people of this city are in some manner parties ;

Resolved, That our Senator, Hon. Wm. L. Webber, and our Representatives, Hon. J. A. Hollon and W. H. P. Benjamin, be earnestly requested to use all honorable means to secure the proposed amendments of the charter, and that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded by the clerk of the council to each of them.

The memorial was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 954. By Mr. Gerrish: Petition of Augustus Towner, Isaac McNary, and 28 other citizens of Lake county, asking for money instead of land for Union soldiers and sailors ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 955. By Mr. Ludington: Petition of citizens of Huron county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 956. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of P. H. Phillips and 71 others, for the organization of the county of Butler;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 957. By Mr. I. Green: Petition of John Wixon and 18 others, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 958. By Mr. Townsend: Remonstrance of Wm. L. Abbott, Peter Wood, Thos. Hurds, and 175 others, residents of Goodland, in Lapeer county, against taking away any portion of Lapeer county to form the county of Butler;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 959. By Mr. Townsend: Remonstrance of Chas. W. Ballard, Albert S. Sholes, Harrison Bradshaw, and 90 other residents of Lapeer county, against taking away any territory from Lapeer county for the purpose of forming Butler county, or any other muskrat county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 960. By Mr. Van Aken: Petition of Spafford Wright, W. E. Wright, and 48 other citizens of Branch county, that the tax law be so amended that mortgages shall not be subject to direct assessment;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

No. 961. By Mr. Copley: Remonstrance of Rev. G. C. Elliott, Rev. E. P. Goodrich, and 204 others, citizens of the village of Decatur, Van Buren county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, but in favor of amendments to make it more effective;

Laid on the table.

No. 962. By Mr. Copley: Remonstrance of Hon. S. A. Blackman, John W. Free, W. H. Randall, E. Smith, and 20 others, citizens of the village of Paw Paw, against the passage of Senate bill No. 61, extending the corporate limits of Paw Paw;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 963. By Mr. Copley: Remonstrance of Hon. J. J. Woodman, J. T. Clapp, and 43 other citizens of Paw Paw and vicinity, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 964. By Mr. Copley: Remonstrance of Asa Lamphere, Geo. W. Mather, and other citizens of Paw Paw on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 965. By Mr. Daly: Petition of 70 citizens in favor of extending the corporate limits of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 966. By Mr. Walton: Petition of citizens of the township of Bangor, requesting to be annexed to the village of Banks;

Laid on the table.

No. 967. By Mr. Walton: Petition of Robert Leng and 160 others, citizens of the village of Banks, in favor of the amendments to their charter;

Laid on the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 171, entitled

A bill to amend sections 6 and 18 of chapter 83 of the compiled laws of 1871, relative to bridge companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Norton,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 198, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Bay county in fixing the rates of toll for the Bay City Bridge Company,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 504, entitled

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for improving and repairing a road known as the Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee State Road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 538, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16, 22, 23, 28, 29, and 30 of chapter 171 of the revised statutes of 1846, being sections 8033, 8039, 8040, 8045, 8046, and 8047 of the Compiled Laws of 1847, relative to county jails,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 427, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of chapter 266, being section 8018 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to county jails and the regulation thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs :

The committee on State affairs to whom was referred

House bill No. 423, entitled

A bill to amend section 771 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to fences and fence viewers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage :

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 454, entitled

A bill to authorize the drain commissioner of the township of Wheeler, to re-assess the ditch tax on the Tubbs-Wheeler township ditch No. 1,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on drainage :

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 546, entitled

A bill to authorize the printing and distributing of the laws relating to drainage,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred
House bill No. 297, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of Union School District No. 1 in the township of Long Rapids, in the county of Alpena,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education to whom was referred
House bill No. 296, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of Union School District No. 1, in the township of Wilson, in the county of Alpena,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was re-committed, with instructions,
House bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136, Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled
"Primary Schools,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. A. R. Wheeler moved that the House concur in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Van Aken demanded the yeas and nays on the question of concurring.
The demand was seconded, and pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend the amendment reported by the committee, by striking out the words "not included in any organized school district;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Walker,

The whole matter was laid on the table.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education to whom was re-committed with instructions

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to amend section 8, to repeal section 13 of chapter 12, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections 643, 647, and 648, relating to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and to add eight new sections thereto, to stand as sections 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, and 111, repealing chapter 139 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Hart moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Taylor demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to re-commit did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Hull,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Robbins,
C. Brown,	Hunt,	Morse,	Stephens,
Copley,	Keyes,	Northrop,	Sweetland,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Packard,	Towne,
Eggleston,	Klein,	Potter,	A. B. Wheeler,
Hart,	Lee,	Reed,	Speaker,
Hollon,	Little,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Struble,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Billings,	Harris,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Parker,	Walton,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Preston,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Houston,	Ranney,	West,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Rich,	Whitney,
Cole,	Huggett,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Curry,	Knight,	Schattler,	Wilson,

Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,	Mr. Wood,	
Ferguson,	Ludington,	Stowe,		59

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,	
Backus,	Ferguson,	Ludington,	Smith,	
Bailey,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Stephens,	
Benedict,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,	
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Struble,	
Billings,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sutton,	
Bradfield,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,	
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Packard,	Van Aken,	
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Parker,	Van Raalte,	
Budlong,	Howland,	Potter,	Walton,	
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Watkins,	
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Ranney,	I. P. Wheeler,	
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,	
Copley,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,	
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Knight,	Rich,	Wood,	
Dow,	Lay,	Robinson,		67

NAYS.

Mr. C. Brown,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Northrop,	Mr. Townsend,	
Curry,	Klein,	Norton,	Walker,	
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robbins,	West,	
Hart,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,	A. R. Wheeler,	
Hewitt,	Morse,	Towne,	Speaker,	
Hollon,				21

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Hertzler moved that Mr. Briggs be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Briggs then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved that Mr. McLachlin be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. McLachlin then voted as recorded above.

The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the title as follows :

By adding after the date "1871," in the last line, the words, "relating to county superintendents of schools ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Moshier,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take effect on the 31st day of March, instant.

MAJORITY REPORT.

By the committee on public lands :

The majority of committee on public lands, to whom was referred

Joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to

cancel Asylum Land certificate No. 346, and to refund to the purchaser thereof the purchase money paid therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, recommending that the resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

In making the above recommendation, we believe the passage of this resolution merely an act of justice, as the following facts proved to your committee show:

In the year 1872, the w $\frac{1}{2}$ of s e $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 18, town 13 n, range 11 w, being 80 acres of part-paid asylum lands, became forfeited to the State for non-payment of interest, and in the spring of 1873, the description was sent to the supervisor of the township in which said land was situate, by the Commissioner of the State Land Office, for his appraisal of the value of the improvements thereon, as required by chapter 144 of the Compiled Laws of 1871. The supervisor, in this case, through a misapprehension of what was required, reported to the commissioner what purported to be his estimate and appraisal of the value of the improvements, to wit: \$1,000 00.

In November, 1873, the land was purchased of the Commissioner of the State Land Office, by Seymour Foster, for the sum of \$1,320 00, one-half cash, and the balance bearing 7 per cent interest until paid.

There being one year redemption allowed, after sale, Foster did not pay the interest for 1873, and in the spring of 1874, the Commissioner of the State Land Office again notified the supervisor to value the improvements, and was surprised to have them appraised at only \$500 00, instead of \$1,000 00, as was the case in 1873. The inquiry elicited the fact as shown by the affidavit of the supervisor now on file in the land office, that he made return in 1873 of what he valued the land and improvements at, both together, and that he did so through ignorance of what the law required of him.

Under these circumstances, Foster desires to be released from the purchase, it not being the investment represented to him by the commissioner and from the official report of the supervisor he was led to expect; that he made the investment wholly on said representation, without any examination of the land, and that he has not injured said land in either soil, timber, or in any other manner.

We, the undersigned members of your committee, cannot imagine that the finances of our State are in such a condition, that for the purpose of disposing of 80 acres of its lands, it will hold the purchaser to a bargain which, in a like case, occurring between private individuals, would be set aside in any court of equity in the State.

ISAAC GREEN,
S. S. CURRY,
S. R. BILLINGS.

MINORITY REPORT.

By the committee on public lands:

The undersigned, a minority of the committee on public lands, to whom was referred House joint resolution No. 18 entitled "Joint resolution authorizing the commissioner of the state land office to cancel 'asylum land certificate No. 346, and to refund to the purchaser thereof the purchase money paid therefor,' respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and being of the opinion that the person named in the joint resolution is entitled to some relief, but that the passage of the joint resolution would be an act of injustice

to the State, they herewith report a substitute for the joint resolution, and recommend that the substitute be printed and placed on the general order, and referred to the committee of the whole ; and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS,
JNO. D. NORTON

Report was accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

Both the original and the substitute were ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 392, entitled

A bill to amend section 93 of Chapter XVIII., being section 920 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "An act for the re-organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Norton,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 482, entitled

A bill to amend sections 48 and 49 of chapter 18, being sections 875 and 876 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, of an act entitled "An act for the organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

House joint resolution No. 30, entitled

Joint resolution asking Congress to grant relief to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, and the wives and orphans of deceased soldiers and sailors of the late war suppressing the rebellion,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 340, entitled

A bill to repeal section 93 of Chapter XVIII., being section 920 of Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An act for the re-organization of the military forces of the State of Michigan,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. A. FERGUSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on lumber and salt interests:

The committee on lumber and salt interests, to whom was re-committed

Senate bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1461, 1462, 1465, 1476, 1480, 1496, and 1500, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being sections of the act entitled "An act to regulate the manufacture, and provide for the inspection of salt,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

AMOS R. WHEELER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 228, entitled

A bill to legalize the record of the Coit & Curtis partition plat of lands in the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 298, entitled

A bill to amend section 21 of chapter 249, being section 7711 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against chastity, morality, and decency,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to amend chapter 194 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relating to provisions concerning actions and proceedings in certain cases, by adding one new section thereto relative to the transfer of actions,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 270, entitled

A bill to amend section 41 of chapter 216, being section 6881 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative the collection of penalties, forfeitures and fines of forfeited recognizances,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills :

1. House bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Hancock, Houghton county ;

2. House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on State prison :

The committee on State prison, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and construction of a State Prison in the Upper Peninsula,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, but recommend the bill to be placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR., *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 160, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 7, 9, 43, 44, 46, 53, 84, 102, and 112 of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Bay City,' " approved March 21, 1865, being act No. 348 of the session laws of this State for the year 1867, approved March 20, 1867, approved March 20, 1869, as amended by acts amendatory thereof, approved April 17, 1871, and April 1, 1873, and to repeal section 105 thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 143, entitled

A bill to facilitate the collection of damages for trespass on lands ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary,

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to re-return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick ;

Which the Senate amended as follows :

1. By inserting after the word "birth," in line 1 of section 1, the words "or extraction ;"

2. By striking out the words "(provided such distress is not occasioned by drunkenness or crime)," in lines 13 and 14 of section 2 ;

3. By inserting in line 2 of section 3, after the word "and," the words, "upon payment of a fee of 75 cents ;"

4. By striking out all after the word "dollars," in line 4 of section 4, to and including the word "pleasure," in line 6 of said section ;

5. By striking out the word "and" where it first occurs in line 3 of section 5, and inserting "or of" in lieu thereof."

In the first, second, third, and fifth of which amendments the House concurred, but in the fourth named amendment the House non-concurred,

And to inform the House that the Senate has receded from said fourth-named amendment.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 17, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 141, entitled

A bill to amend sections 50 and 51 (being compiler's sections 6252 and 6253) chapter 195 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, and the act amendatory thereto, approved April 29, 1873, relative to the action of ejectment,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend section 2957 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 16 of chapter 98, entitled “An act in relation to Life Insurance Companies transacting business within this State,”

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on insurance.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 16, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 4639 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to sales on execution,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled “And act to revise and amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,’” approved March 29, 1871;

Pending the reading thereof,

Mr. Metcalf moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave: Messrs. Craig, Ferguson, Hull, Remer, Taylor, and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Walker at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Little,

Mr. Walker was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Craig at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Hertzler,

Mr. Craig was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Taylor at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

Mr. Taylor was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Remer at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

Mr. Remer was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Little moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Ferguson at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

Mr. Ferguson was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Pending the further reading of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit to the House:

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled "An act to establish a State public school for dependent and neglected children," approved April 17, 1871,

and to add three new sections to said act, to be known as sections 20, 21, and 22,

In accordance with a request of the House this day received.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Van Aken moved that the rule requiring the reconsideration of a vote to be on the same or the next subsequent day be suspended;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Van Aken moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Van Aken moved to amend the bill by striking out section 1, and substituting therefor the following:

SECTION 1. *The People of the State of Michigan enact, That section ten of an act entitled "An act to establish a State Public School for dependent and neglected children," approved April seventeenth, eighteen hundred and seventy-one, as amended by act number one hundred and forty-four, session laws of 1873, approved April 24, 1873, be amended so as to read as follows:*

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Meyer,	Struble,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Northrop,	Towne,
Budlong,	Howland,	Norton,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Huggett,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	Walton,
Cole,	Hunt,	Preston,	West,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	Whitney,
Dow,	Knight,	Rich,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Robinson,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Little,	Shattler,	Speaker, 84

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Mr. Hollon,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Benjamin moved that Mr. Hollon be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Hollon then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Van Aken moved to reconsider the vote by which the House agreed to the title of the bill ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Van Aken moved to amend the title as follows, by substituting therefor the following: "A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled 'An act to establish a State public school for dependent and neglected children,' approved April 17th, 1871, and to add three new sections to said act, as amended by act No. 144 of session laws of 1873, approved April 24th, 1873, to be known as sections 20, 21, and 22 ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The House then resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 397, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,'" approved March 29, 1871,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Whitney moved to amend the bill,

1st. By striking out of line 3, section 3, the word "south," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "north ;"

2d. By striking out of section 59 lines 9, 10, and 11 ;"

3rd. By striking out of line 6, of section 114, the word "annually ;"

4th. By inserting in line 6, of section 114, the word "may" before the word "charge ;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Northrop moved to amend the bill by striking out all of section 85 ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Daly moved to amend the bill by striking out of subdivision 11, of section 43, all after the word "beggars ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Greiner,	Mr. Metcalf,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Harris,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Bailey,	Hart,	Morse,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Hertzler,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Van Aken,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Parker,	Van Raalte,

Mr. F. O. Clark, Cole, Craig, Daly, Eggleston, Ferguson, Gerrish, Goodyear,	Mr. Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Lay, Lee, Little, Ludington,	Mr. Preston, Ranney, Ransom, Reed, Rich, Robinson, Smith,	Mr. Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wood, Speaker,
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Mr. Campbell, Dow, Houston,	Mr. Huggett, Klein, Mercer,	Mr. Robbins, Struble,	Mr. Taylor, Wilson,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Hollon asked that the House, in courtesy, excuse him from voting, that on account of the length of the bill, and the fact that it had only just been placed on the files, he did not believe members who had given the bill no more consideration than he had, could vote intelligently, and that if the bill was to be brought to a vote, then he desired to be excused.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

Mr. Hollon was excused from voting.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to amend sections 16 and 19 of an act entitled "An act to provide for a uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon," approved April 5, 1869, being compiler's sections 982 and 985, chapter 21, of Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Robbins moved to amend the bill by striking out of line 1, of section 16, the words "to be sworn or affirmed," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "to be certified upon honor;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong,	Mr. Daly, Eggleston, Ferguson, Gerrish, Hale, Harris, Hart, Hertzler, Hollon, Houston, Howland,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Watkins,
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Mr. Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry,	Mr. Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Parker, Potter, Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Rich, Robinson,	Mr. West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,
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Mr. Dow, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner,	Mr. Hewitt, Hubbard, Klein, Lee,	Mr. Moshier, Norton, Ranney, Robbins,	Mr. Schattler, Towne, Walker, Walton,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. West,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 167, entitled

A bill to authorize the Fulton Street Cemetery Association of the city of Grand Rapids to sell unoccupied lots and parts of lots for the non-payment of assessments levied thereon,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Billings, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Cole,	Mr. Copley, Craig, Curry, Daly, Ferguson, Gerrish, Goodyear, Greiner, Hale, Harris, Hart, Howland, Huggett,	Mr. Hulbert, Hull, Keyes, Livingstone, Ludington, Mercer, Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Norton, Parker, Ransom,	Mr. Remer, Robbins, Smith, Stephens, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Van Aken, Walker, Walton, Watkins, I. P. Wheeler, Wood,
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Mr. Dow, Eggleston, I. Green, Hewitt, Hubbard, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Lay, Lee, Metcalf, Northrop, Ocobock, Packard, Potter, Preston,	Mr. Ranney, Reed, Rich, Robinson, Schattler, Stowe, Struble, Sutton,	Mr. Townsend, Van Raalte, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing.

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Kilbourne moved to amend the bill:

1st. By inserting in line 11 of section 2 of Title XIII., before the word "occupant," the word "owner."

2. By inserting in the same line of the same section, after the word "occupied," the words "and the owner be not known ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Struble,
Bailey,	Greiner,	Morse,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Harris,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Hart,	Neff,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Towne,
Briggs,	Houston,	Norton,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hull,	Ransom,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Keyes,	Reed,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Knight,	Rich,	I. P. Wheeler.
Craig,	Lay,	Robbins,	Whitney,
Daly,	Lee,	Robinson,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Little,	Schattler,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Ludington,	Smith,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Mercer,	Stephens,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stowe,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kilbourne,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By unanimous consent the following report was made:

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was re-committed

House bill No. 509, entitled

A bill to detach the township of Cleon from the county of Manistee and attach the same to the county of Wexford, with instructions to report an amendment submitting the question to the voters of Manistee county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendment made by the committee,

Mr. Potter moved that the following be adopted as a substitute therefor:

"*Provided*, The qualified electors of said township shall so determine by a majority of all the electors of said township voting on said question at the annual township meeting, to be held on the first Monday of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five.

Sec. 2. For the purpose of voting on the foregoing proposition, the inspectors of election in said township shall provide a separate ballot-box for that purpose, and the ballots may be written or printed, or part written and part printed, with the following words, 'For annexing Cleon to Wexford county—Yes ;' or, 'For annexing Cleon to Wexford county—No ;' and the votes shall be canvassed, and returns thereof made in the same manner, as near as may be, as is provided for in the returns of election of county officers, except that said returns shall be made to each of the counties of Wexford and Manistee.

Sec. 3. If it appears from the returns, as provided for in section two of this act, that a majority of the electors of said township, who vote on said question of annexation, vote 'Yes,' then the township of Cleon shall become a part of the county of Wexford; but if a majority of said voters, voting on said question, vote 'No,' then the township of Cleon shall be and remain a part of the county of Manistee."

Pending the taking of the vote on the adoption of the substitute,

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

The substitute was then not adopted.

The amendment as reported by the committee was then concurred in.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Remer,
Bailey,	I. Green,	Little,	Rich,
Benedict,	Hale,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Mercer,	Robinson,
Billings,	Hart,	Meyer,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Stephens,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Struble,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Neff,	Sutton,
Campbell,	Houston,	Northrop,	Sweetland,
Churchill,	Howland,	Norton,	Taylor,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Towne,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Townsend,
Copley,	Hull,	Parker,	Van Raalte,
Craig,	Hunt,	Potter,	Watkins,
Daly,	Keyes,	Preston,	West,
Dow,	Klein,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Knight,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Gerrish,	Lay,	Reed,	Wiley, 72

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Little,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker resumed the chair.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Hollon offered the following :

Resolved, That hereafter the Journal Clerk be requested to insert in brackets, in the House Journal the printed number of House bills immediately after the House number of same wherever such numbers appear in said journal ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Copley announced that he was in receipt of the following telegram, and requested that it be read by the Clerk :

Decatur, Mich., March 18, 1875.

Hon. A. B. Copley, House of Representatives :

Hon. G. G. B. Yeckley died at half past two this afternoon.

D. B. STEVENSON.

Mr. Copley offered the following resolutions :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the feelings of the House in regard to the deceased ; and

Resolved, That out of respect to the memory of the deceased the House do now adjourn.

The question was first taken on the adoption of the first resolution ;

The same was unanimously adopted.

And pending the question of adjournment, the Speaker announced as the committee Messrs. Copley, Potter, and Ludington.

The second resolution was then adopted, and the House adjourned.

Lansing, Friday, March 19, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by the Rev. Robert Collyer.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Hertzler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, from to-day until Tuesday next.

Mr. Hoyt asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until to-morrow noon.

Mr. A. K. Clark asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, from to-day until Monday evening.

Mr. Wood asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. I. P. Wheeler, until Monday evening.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 968. By Mr. F. O. Clark: Petition of B. I. Brown and 50 other residents of Menominee county, Mich., asking a reduction of tax on insurance premiums ; Referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 969. By Mr. Hertzler: Remonstrance of the Monroe temperance alliance, against the repeal of the present prohibitory law.

On demand of Mr. Hertzler,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of Michigan :

The Monroe temperance alliance, auxiliary to the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Michigan,—in no sense a political organization, nor in league with any political party, but simply a union for philanthropic, moral, and christian grounds for the combination of efforts to diminish, and if possible destroy, the curse of intemperance,—would respectfully protest against the repeal of any existing laws which limit or prohibit the sale of or traffic in intoxicating drinks. Having themselves as women, no direct voice in legislation, they can do no more than make their earnest and solemn appeal to your honorable body, who do make our laws, and beseech you individually to give your highest wisdom and profoundest statesmanship to the suppression of this our nation's curse. Humbly but persistently reminding you that before God as well as before men, you will be held responsible for the faithful administration of this trust.

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

No. 970. By Mr. Houston: Remonstrance of Wm. F. Hewitt, S. G. Patterson, and 50 others, against amending the law relative to taxing shares of National and State banks;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 971. By Mr. Howland: Remonstrance of S. Carson, B. A. Wing, Henry Labbitt, Wm. Blase, Wm. Schroeder, and 52 others against the taxation of church property.

On demand of Mr. Howland,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

Is the Christian religion worth anything to the State? Are Christian churches erected for the public welfare? Are we to reverse the verdict of the ages and mock the judgment of the fathers of the republic, and say that churches are not essential to our national well being? Is the rare virtue of *christian beneficence* to be taxed by the State when the State never levies one cent of tax for the erection and support of churches? Are we ready to admit that school houses, university buildings, city halls, jails, prisons, asylums, retreats, post office buildings, custom houses, and bridges as public buildings are to be exempted from taxation, and that church buildings are to be taxed? An evil may exist that demands remedy, but while we love and honor our religion and believe it to be the source of greater benefit to the State than all other instrumentalities, let us lift up our voices against relieving the despisers of Christianity by increasing the burdens of its generous supporters. If you are opposed to church taxation have this petition signed and forwarded to Lansing instantly.

To the Honorable, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan now in session convened at the Capital, Lansing :

Your petitioners hold that of all buildings and institutions erected and sustained for the welfare of the public, and as such exempted from taxation, our churches (and buildings pertaining thereto, viz: chapels, lecture rooms, parsonages and horse sheds) are sources of greater benefit to the State than any other,—even though but ten men in a whole city build them, and so avert Sodom's fate. Therefore we most earnestly protest against the passage of the bill now in the hands of your committee, viz: to repeal the only act which acknowledges the value of our religion to the State, the act whereby church property is exempted from all taxes for secular purposes.

The remonstrance was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 972. By Mr. Parker: Remonstrance of J. N. Elwell, Chas. E. McAlister, and 44 other citizens of Genesee county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 163, for the prevention of hounding deer;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 973. By Mr. Parker: Remonstrance of C. H. Wisner, E. L. Zimmerman, and 49 other citizens of Genesee county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 974. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of A. W. O'Keefe, N. C. Potts, and 35 others, against any change in the boundary of Sanilac county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 975. By Mr. Billings: Remonstrance of Henry H. Alvord, Geo. E. Taylor, and 45 other citizens, against the passage of Senate bill No. 163, to prevent the hounding of deer with dogs;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 976. By Mr. Billings: Remonstrance of Jas. B. F. Curtis, Wm. L. Gibson, and 47 other citizens of Genesee county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 977. By Mr. Northrop: Remonstrance of Wm. D. Tuttle and numerous other citizens of Wayne county, against the taxing of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 978. By Mr. Northrop: Remonstrance of Wm. D. Dean and others on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 979. By Mr. Robbins: Resolutions adopted by Greenly Lodge No. 103 F. & A. M., Temple Lodge No. 168 F. & A. M., Adrian Lodge No. 19, F. & A. M., Adrian Lodge No. 8 I. O. O. F., the German Workman's Benevolent Association, the Adrian Workingmen's Mutual Benefit Association, and Tecumseh Lodge No. 14 I. O. O. F., asking for the passage of Senate bill No. 3.

On demand of Mr. Robbins,

The resolutions were read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

WHEREAS, The House committee of the Legislature of the State of Michigan for the year 1875, on private incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to exempt mutual benefit and co-operative associations from the provisions of sections 10 and 29 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 10 and 12 of an act entitled 'An act in relation to life insurance companies transacting business within this State,' approved March 30, 1869, and to add three new sections thereto to stand as sections 27, 28, and 29," approved April 5, 1871,

Have reported adversely to the passage of said Senate bill No 3, therefore

Resolved, That in the opinion of the members of the several associations hereinafter named, that in case said Senate bill shall fail to become a law, great injustice will be done to the various mutual aid associations of this State, thereby precluding the laboring man from the benefits of an association in which he has a right to place implicit confidence; and one in which he may safely rely for help in time of his sorest need;

Resolved, That our secretary transmit an authenticated copy of these resolu-

tions to our members in the House of Representatives, and that in case they or either of them can conscientiously labor and vote for said Senate bill No. 3, we as a corporate body will hold such services in grateful remembrance.

Passed by Greenly Lodge No. 103 F. & A. M., at regular communication, Monday evening, March 15, 1875.

[L. s.]

HEMAN LOOMIS, *Secretary*.

Passed by Temple Lodge No. 168 F. & A. M., at regular communication held March 16, 1875.

[L. s.]

ROSWELL KIMBALL, *Sec'y*.

Passed by Adrian Lodge No. 19 F. & A. M., at regular communication held March 17, 1875.

[L. s.]

J. W. FAIRBANKS, *Sec'y, pro tem*.

Passed by Adrian Lodge No. 8, I. O. O. F.

[L. s.]

THOS. WILKINSON, *N. G.*

J. W. PENNOCK, *R. Sec.*

March 15, '75.

We, as the German Workmen's Benevolent Association, cheerfully concur in the above petition.

JOHN WEISINGER, *President*.

[L. s.]

CHARLES BOWERFIEL, *Secretary*.

We, the Adrian Workingmen's Mutual Benefit Association, cheerfully concur with the above petition. Composed of 170 members.

Adrian, March 17, 1875.

ALEXANDER WILSON, *President*.

[L. s.]

J. W. RYAN, *Rec. Sec.*

HALL OF TECUMSEH LODGE No. 14, I. O. O. F., }
Tecumseh, Mich. }

By unanimous vote this lodge cheerfully concur in the above resolutions.
Tecumseh, March 16, 1875.

C. T. CHAPIN, *N. G.*

[L. s.]

J. F. SCHREDER, *Sec'y*.

The resolutions were referred to the committee on insurance.

No. 980. By Mr. Van Raalte: Remonstrance of John V. Heckroolt, James Barnes, and 16 others of the city of Grand Haven against the taxation of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 981. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of Mrs. M. Narmore, Mary Parsons, and 58 others, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law;

Laid on the table.

No. 982. By Mr. Kilbourne: Remonstrance of Mrs. E. S. Stebbins, and 300 other ladies of Lansing, members of the Lansing Temperance Union, on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 120, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 124 of the session laws of 1873, approved April 19, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment,

and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

House bill No. 225, entitled

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for the construction of the Tyre and Lake Huron State road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. HEWITT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

• By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly:

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to amend the act entitled "An act to authorize and empower the Board of Control of State Swamp Lands to make an appropriation of State Swamp Lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the Straits of Mackinaw to Marquette harbor, on Lake Superior," and of the act entitled 'An act to amend the same,' approved March 24, 1874,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly:

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred

House bill No. 433, entitled

A bill to authorize and empower the Board of Control of State Swamp Lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of the Flat River and Houghton Lake Railroad, from Otisco, in Ionia county, to Houghton Lake, in Roscommon county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly :

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 221, entitled

A bill to promote the early construction of a railroad through the Menominee iron range,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly :

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 394, entitled

A bill to aid in the construction of the Alpena and Michigan Southwestern Railroad,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly :

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 287, entitled

A bill to appropriate lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of L'Anse, in the county of Baraga, to the village of Calumet, in the county of Houghton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands jointly :

The committees on railroads and public lands jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 526, entitled

A bill to aid in the construction of the Alpena, Au Sable and Bay City railroad,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on public lands and railroads, jointly :

The committees on public lands and railroads, jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 537, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of control of State swamp lands to make an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from the city of Alpena to a point on the Jackson, Lansing & Saginaw Railroad,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman Committee on Public Lands.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman Committee on Railroads.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education to whom was referred

House bill No. 227, entitled

A bill to amend section 3, 9, 10, 14, and 16 of an act entitled "An act relative to free schools in the city of Grand Rapids," approved March 15, 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 91, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to extend certain rights and privileges to persons who are tax-payers, but not qualified voters in school districts," approved Feb. 8, 1855, being compiler's section 3705 of the Compiled Laws of 1871 ;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on judiciary and ways and means, jointly :

The committees on judiciary and ways and means, jointly, to whom was referred

House bill No. 319, entitled

A bill to authorize counties, townships, cities, and villages to raise money by taxation for the payment of their bonds issued to aid in the construction of railroads,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER,

Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR.,

Acting Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on judiciary and ways and means, jointly :

The committees on judiciary and ways and means, jointly, to whom was referred

House bill No. 369, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Flint to levy and assess taxes for the purpose of paying its bonded indebtedness,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER,

Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary.

W. LIVINGSTONE, JR.,

Acting Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 342, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Casanovia,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of act No. 195 of the session laws of 1873, for the better enforcement of the law relating to the licensing of dogs,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs to whom was referred

House bill No. 95, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN T. RICH, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to amend section 4 (compiler's section 3820) of chapter 144 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to university and primary school lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Little, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the judiciary committee be instructed to report back to the

House, without delay, Senate bill No. 111, being a bill to re-organize the tenth judicial circuit and to create the twenty-first judicial circuit;

Which was adopted.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the select committee appointed to visit and examine the State University and the Agricultural College:

Lansing, Mich., March 18, 1875.

HON. JOHN P. HOYT, *Speaker of the House of Representatives*:

SIR—The committee on the part of the House, to whom was referred the following concurrent resolution, adopted January 29th, to wit: That a joint special committee consisting of three from the House and two from the Senate be appointed to visit and examine the University of Michigan and the State Agricultural College, for the purpose of ascertaining and reporting upon the respective facilities of each institution, to determine at which there could be established with the greatest economy to the State and the most sure prospect of success, a department for instruction in mining, engineering, mechanics and technology.

Having performed that duty, respectfully ask leave to submit for the consideration of the House, the following report:

Your committee, in company with that of the Senate, visited the University of Michigan on the 4th day of February, were conducted through the various departments in such manner that a satisfactory examination was completed, especially in those intimately pertaining to the purpose of the resolution.

Your committee is pleased to inform you that the present facilities for the establishment and proper maintenance of a Mining and Mechanical School are in a much more advanced state than was anticipated by them, the faculty of the University having wisely considered the subject and made such advance toward that end as their limited means would allow.

Their present corps of professors and the considerable equipment of material will enable the State at a moderate additional outlay and appropriation to establish this school of mines, which, when fully equipped, will become without question the most complete and thorough in the world.

Explanatory of the courses of study and requisites needful for the establishment of a school of mines of an order worthy an association with the University of Michigan, your committee refer to the following branches for instruction with which it is now supplied:

First. Acquirement of the German, French, and Spanish languages, a familiarity with which in translation, and if possible in speech, will enable the thorough student to become familiar with treatises of an high order frequently written in these languages by some of the most learned and skillful proficient in mining industry, as well also to prepare him for personal examination of the old and extensive mines of those several countries where the English tongue is considered foreign.

Second. A complete instruction in pure mathematics.

Third. The physics, especially with reference to the subjects of heat, electricity, magnetism, hydraulics, pneumatics, and ventilation.

Fourth. In crystallography, mineralogy, lithology, and geology; for illustrations of which there are large and proper collections of specimens, a thorough familiarity with which is indispensable to the student.

Fifth. The chemical department for general, applied, and analytical chemistry,

is very complete; the laboratory being the largest in this country, supplied with nearly two hundred tables for student practice.

Sixth. The course of the civil engineer is of an high order, incomplete only in an absence of models of construction and portfolios of illustrations needful to impress upon the student evidences of the value of the proper application of such instruction.

The above mentioned courses do not, for the present, need enlargement, being adequate for a strong foundation of the contemplated school.

The requirements to be supplied are as follows:

First. Preparation for more advanced study in the higher mechanics and the various mechanical methods of the application of power, particularly in the almost endless varieties to be observed in the prosecution of mining, this occurring often in ponderous form.

Second. Instruction in the combination of the knowledge of the civil with that of the mechanical engineer, which, with that of the chemist, mineralogist, metallurgist, and geologist, constitutes the theoretical mining engineer, these being then condensed and judiciously tempered with an adaptability to utilize material at hand in a new mining country that often may be situated remote from the base of supplies, and where he may be competent to substitute rude appliances in absence of finished work, graduates not only the scientific, but the much needed *useful* mining engineer; such an one who may be bold, but careful; thorough, yet not extravagant; economical, but not close, and in whom can be evidenced ability of intention and determination of purpose by a complete performance of what he takes in hand.

Finally, there must be provided lectures and studies upon the formation of veins, beds and irregular deposits of mineral and ores, the geology of mine and mineral districts, the various methods of mining and all operations attendant upon it. Personal examinations and careful study of well constructed and serviceable models of the various mechanical appliances, implements and tools employed in mining operations. Lectures and study upon the methods of constructing shafts and galleries, supporting by timbers, masonry or natural pillars the almost irresistible strains and weights occurring in mining, all of which the candidate for this enviable employment must acquire.

Your committee find that to complete the equipment of the school the following resume of requirements is needed:

The establishment of a professorship of mining and mechanical engineering, also one of metallurgy with assistant instructors, and with which also to meet the demand of running expenses of the school of mines, the sum of eight thousand dollars per annum will be needed.

The construction of a suitable building considered indispensable for the storing and display of models, appliances and implements for recitation and practice rooms, apparatus to complete the metallurgical department, and also to supply the civil engineers' course with required models, a sum of forty thousand dollars, to be spread in its expenditure over the time of two years, will be needed. The estimated cost of the building mentioned (being in size say 50x80, three stories) \$25,000; the power, models and appliances, \$15,000. That a mining school connected with the university of the high standing and wide celebrity as that of this State, will early gain notoriety, above that of any other in the United States, cannot be questioned; and being located near the centre of the vast mining enterprises of the continent, its advantages for practical examinations of such workings will be at once apparent.

Your committee believe that with the aptitude ceded to the average American, and especially the western inhabitant, to become master of this branch of learning, the establishment will reflect pride and honor upon the State, and at an early period become practically self-sustaining. Your committee visited in company with that of the Senate, the agricultural college, and after careful and complete examination arrive at the conclusion that in order to place the school of mines at that locality, in such condition as is estimated at the university, the outlay will reach a sum of not less than \$150,000; aside from this increased expenditure, they believe that a combination of a school of mines with one of agriculture would not prove harmonious to a beneficial result. That the agricultural college could associate with it certain industrial studies of less scientific order than those of the mine engineer cannot be disputed; it may not be superfluous to mention here that in the department closely allied with the study of the mining engineer at the university of Michigan, there are already above 130 students, a great number of whom would elect to perfect themselves in this enviable branch of study, if a fit opportunity was offered.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWIN J. HULBURT,
SAMUEL S. WALKER,
DAVID W. WILEY,

Committee on the part of the House.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 17, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State,

An act to amend section 36 of chapter 8 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

An act to organize the township of Fraser, in Bay county.

An act to amend section 3582, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of school inspectors.

An act to amend section 14 of an act entitled "An act to amend sections 2 and 14 of chapter 88 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled 'An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming, and rafting of logs,'" approved March 7, 1873.

An act to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Houghton and Baraga to cause the boundary lines between the said counties to be surveyed.

An act to vacate the township of Huron, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton.

An act to prohibit the use of naphtha, or any product of coal oil or petroleum, for lighting passenger cars.

An act to vacate the township of Webster, in the county of Houghton, and to incorporate its territory within the township of Portage, in the county of Houghton.

An act to amend sections 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 15, 36, 39, 49, 58, and 67 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, and the acts amendatory thereto, being act No. 215 of the session laws of 1871, and also to amend an act entitled "An act to amend section 58 of act No. 215, of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Greenville," approved March 10, 1871, approved March 23, 1872.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR,—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

House bill No. 216, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act to revise the charter of the city of Holland," being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Holland," approved March 25, 1867, approved March 23, 1871, which became a law April 2, 1873.

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By striking out the word "two," where the same occurs after the words "elected," and "year" in line 2 of section 10 (page 4), and inserting in lieu thereof, in each case, the word "one."

2. By adding after the word "him," in line 4 of last named section, the following: "And the present school inspectors whose terms of office expire in the years 1876 and 1877, respectively, shall continue to hold their office until the expiration of the several terms for which each of them is elected."

3. By striking out the word "may," in line 3 of section 23 (page 6), and inserting in lieu thereof the word "shall."

4. By inserting after the word "appointment," in the last named section, the words "within thirty days after the vacancy occurs."

5. By inserting before the words "school inspectors," in line 5 of section 38, (page 18), the words "the mayor, aldermen, and."

6. By re-instating Sec. 20 of Title IV, which the house struck out.

7. By inserting the word "may" in place of the word "shall," where the same occurs after the word "council," in line 1 of section 20 (page 22), Title IV.

8. By striking out all after the word "forfeitures," in the last named section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Not to exceed one hundred dollars annually; but the librarian shall receive no compensation."

9. By inserting after the word "possession," in line 16 of section 8 (page 72), the following: "The clerk shall give notice of such meeting by publishing the same in one of the newspapers of said city, at least ten days previous to the holding of such meeting."

10. By striking out the word "school" where the same occurs in lines 5 and 8 of section 6 (page 77), and inserting in lieu thereof the word "city."

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Van Raalte moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Ransom,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lee,	Reed,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Remer,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Rich,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Ludington,	Smith,
Billings,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Bradfield,	Harris,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Briggs,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Meyer,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Howard,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howland,	Neff,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Norton,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ocobock,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Packard,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Parker,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Potter,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Preston,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to re-return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Calumet township, in Houghton county,

Which the Senate amended in twelve particulars, and the House concurred in the 1st, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th amendments, but amended the 2d Senate amendment by striking out of section 16, as recited in said amendment, the words "Keweenaw and Baraga," where the same occur in the 18th line of said section as printed in the journal for Feb. 24,

And to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in said amendment to its second named amendment by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend sections 15 and 17 of act No. 79 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a commissioner of railroads and to define his powers, duties, and fix his compensation," approved April 10, 1873,

Which the House amended as follows :

1. Amend line 5 of recited section 15, by striking out the word "and," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "or ;"

2. Amend line 7 of recited section 15, by inserting after the word "corporation" the words "or corporations ;"

3. Strike out of lines 8 and 9 of recited section 17, the words, "or a street railway crosses a railroad ;"

4. Add to end of recited section 17 the following :

And provided further, That this act shall not authorize the railroad commissioner to direct, nor the corporation or corporations herein mentioned to erect or maintain a bridge or gate at such crossing of said railroad or railroads within the limits of any incorporated city or village in this State, without the consent of the common council of such city or village,"

And to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the 1st, 2d, and 3d named amendments, but that the Senate has non-concurred in the 4th named amendment.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Wood moved that the House do insist on its amendment ;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 18, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to re-return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15 of Article IV., of act No. 198 of the Session Laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873,

Which the Senate amended as follows :

1. By inserting at the beginning of line 2 of section 1 the figure "1," so as to read "sections 1, 2, 4, 7," etc.

2. By striking out all of section 12, Article II., all after the word "go," in line 11, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "any railroad company doing business in this State shall by its printed rules or regulations require of its employees a careful observance of the provisions of this section, and in case of fail-

ure on the part of the company to require as above, they shall be liable to a penalty of \$100 for each offense."

3. By inserting after the word "gate," in line 2 of section 2, Article IV., the words "or gates;" also by inserting after the word "gate," where it again occurs in line five of same section, the words "or gates."

4. By inserting after "Article IV.," on page 2 of the bill the following amended section 1 of Article IV. of this act:

"SECTION 1. On and after the 31st day of October, 1873, no regular passenger train shall be run in this State without an air brake, or some equally effective device for checking the speed of the train, to be approved by the commissioner of railroads, which may be applied by the engineer to each passenger car composing the train, and every railroad company, person, or corporation, owning or operating a railroad in this State, which shall permit any such train to be run on such road without such brake, shall forfeit for every train so run the sum of \$50, to recover which such company, person, or corporation shall be liable in an action on the case, to be brought in behalf of the people of this State, and the money so realized shall be paid into the State treasury."

5. By inserting after the word "manner," in line 3 of section 4, Article IV., the words "and within such time."

6. By striking out in line 5 of section 7, Article IV., the words "in relation to running of engines or trains."

7. By inserting after the word "neglect," in line 5 of section 13, Article IV., the words: "*Provided*, That at street crossings within the limits of incorporated cities or villages, the sounding of the whistle may be omitted, unless required by the common council or board of trustees of any such city or village."

And the title of which the Senate amended by inserting after the word "section," the figure "1."

In the 1st, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th named amendments and the amendment to the title the House concurred, but in the 2d named amendment the House non-concurred.

And to inform the House that the Senate insists on said second named amendment, and respectfully requests of the House a committee of conference upon the matter of difference between the two Houses concerning said amendment.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Wilson moved that the request of the Senate be granted, and that a committee of conference be appointed;

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Bradfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was laid on the table;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on laying the bill on the table,

The motion did not prevail.

The motion that the request of the Senate be granted and that a committee of conference be appointed, then prevailed.

Mr. Ranney, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to amend sections 68 and 80 of chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's sections 3638 and 3649, relating to primary schools ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The same was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Struble,
Billings,	Harris,	Meyer,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Neff,	Towne,
Budlong,	Houston,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Howard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Parker,	Walton,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hull,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wilson,
Daly,	Klein,	Reed,	Wood,
Dow,	Knight,	Robbins,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Benjamin moved that Mr. Klein be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Klein then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take effect on the 31st day of March, instant.

Mr. Hunt, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 34 (printed No. 72), entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators and trustees ;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

Mr. Klein moved that the House do concur ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Billings,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Struble,

Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Sutton,
Briggs,	Hertzler,	Morse,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Neff,	Towne,
Budlong,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Howland,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Ohurchill,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walton,
Cole,	Hunt,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Keyes,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Curry,	Knight,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lay,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Remer,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Little,	Rich,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Garfield,	Livingstone,	Robbins,	79

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

By unanimous consent, the following report was made :

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 111, entitled

A bill to re-organize the tenth judicial circuit, and create the twenty-first judicial circuit,

Respectfully return the same without recommendation, in accordance with a resolution of the House.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Little moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be placed on its immediate passage,

Mr. Hollon moved to amend the motion so as to make the bill special order for next Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock ;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Daly moved to amend the motion so as to make the bill the special order for next Monday at 10 o'clock A. M. ;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The rules were then suspended and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Robbins,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Lee,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Little,	Struble,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Greiner,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Meyer,	Towne,

Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Townsend,
Budlong,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Neff,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Norton,	West,
Cole,	Huggett,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Hollon,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Schattler,
Curry,	Hull,	Preston,	Smith,
Goodyear,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Van Aken, 14
Hewitt,	Packard,		

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that Mr. Preston be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Preston then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Benjamin moved that Mr. Howard be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Howard then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Potter, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the railroad commissioner be notified by the clerk that this House desires him to report forthwith, in compliance with the preamble and resolution passed by this House on the twentieth day of February last, or report his reasons for non-compliance.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dow moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

Mr. Greiner moved to amend by making the time 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which amendment was not agreed to.

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Curry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. F. O. Clark for the afternoon.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Packard for the afternoon.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced as the special committee of conference on the matter of disagreement between the Senate and House as to

House bill No. 93 (printed No. 23), entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of Article II., and sections 2, 4, 7, 13, and 15, of Article IV. of act number 198, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873,

Messrs. Bradfield, Copley, and Wood.

The House resumed the regular order of business.

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. Huggett offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this hall be and the same is hereby granted to the Ladies' Temperance Union of Lansing, on Wednesday evening next, for the purpose of a public address by Prof. J. Estabrook, of Ypsilanti;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Howard moved to take from the table the following bills:

1. House bill No. 363 (printed No. 143), entitled

A bill to allow the members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature;

2. House bill No. 245 (printed No. 92), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture;

3. House bill No. 52 (printed No. 62), entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875 and 1876;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The three named bills were referred to the joint committee of the House and Senate on appropriations.

Mr. Howard moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of the following:

1. Senate bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and construction of a State prison in the Upper Peninsula;

2. House bill No. 132 (printed No. 60), entitled

A bill making appropriation for the board of fish commissioners for the year 1875 and the year 1876;

3. House bill No. 448 (printed No. 166), entitled

A bill providing for the location, establishment, and organization of a State house of correction, and making appropriation therefor;

4. Senate joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the exhibition of the horticultural and pomological productions of this State, at the exhibition at the American Pomological Society, to be held at Chicago in 1875, and also at the Centennial Exposition, to be held at Philadelphia in 1876;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bills and joint resolution were re-committed to the joint committee of the Senate and House on appropriations.

Mr. Billings offered the following :

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Prof. Manly Miles, of the Agricultural College, for Tuesday evening next, for the delivery of a lecture on farm management, and that he be hereby invited to deliver such lecture ;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Potter offered the following :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that the prohibitory liquor laws of this State ought to be repealed.

Mr. Potter demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution.

The demand was seconded, and,

Pending the taking of the vote on the adoption thereof,

Mr. Walker moved to lay the resolution on the table ;

Mr. Wood demanded the yeas and nays on the question of laying the resolution on the table.

The demand was seconded, and pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Walker moved that there be a call of the House ;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave : Messrs. Hulbert, Hull, and Parker.

On motion of Mr. Rich,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees, except Mr. Hulbert.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Hull at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

Mr. Hull was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, except as to bringing in the absentees.

The question being on laying the resolution on the table,

Mr. West moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion to lay the resolution on the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Towne,
Bailey,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
Billings,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Howard,	Ranney,	Van Ralte,
C. Brown,	Howland,	Reed,	Walker,
Dow,	Hubbard,	Rich,	West,
Eggleston,	Huggett,	Robbins,	A. R. Wheeler,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Robinson,	Whitney,
Gerrish,	Lee,	Sweetland,	Wiley,
E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Taylor,	Wilson,
Hale,			

NAYS.

Mr. Backus, Benedict, Benjamin, Bradfield, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, Cole, Copley, Craig, Curry,	Mr. Daly, Garfield, Goodyear, I. Green, Greiner, Harris, Hertzler, Hollon, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne,	Mr. Klein, Knight, Little, Livingstone, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Northrop, Norton, Potter,	Mr. Preston, Ransom, Remer, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Walton, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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The question being on the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Robbins offered the following substitute therefor :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that a law taxing the sale of intoxicating liquors should be passed by this Legislature, and that until the perfecting and passage of such law the existing laws should remain unchanged.

Mr. Taylor moved to lay the substitute on the table.

Mr. Ransom demanded the yeas and nays on the question of laying the substitute on the table.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay on the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Billings, Briggs, Copley, Eggleston, Ferguson, Gerrish, E. H. Green, I. Green,	Mr. Hale, Hart, Hewitt, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Morse, Ocobock, Ranney, Reed, Rich, Robbins, Robinson, Sweetland,	Mr. Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walker, West, A. B. Wheeler, Whitney,
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NAYS.

Mr. Backus, Benedict, Benjamin, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, Cole, Craig, Curry, Daly,	Mr. Dow, Garfield, Goodyear, Greiner, Harris, Hertzler, Hollon, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Kilbourne, Klein, Knight,	Mr. Little, Livingstone, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Potter, Preston,	Mr. Ransom, Remer, Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Walton, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
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The question being on the adoption of the substitute,

Mr. Goodyear moved to amend the substitute by adding thereto the following:

"And before such bill be acted upon the prohibitory liquor law so called ought to be repealed."

Pending which,

Mr. Whitney moved to indefinitely postpone the whole matter.

Mr. Potter demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Taylor,
Bailey,	I. Green,	McLachlin,	Towne,
Billings,	Hale,	Morse,	Townsend,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Houston,	Ranney,	Walker,
Copley,	Howard,	Reed,	West,
Dow,	Howland,	Rich,	A. R. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Hubbard,	Robbins,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Huggett,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Lay,	Sweetland,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>
Gerrish,			45

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Ransom,
Benedict,	Greiner,	Livingstone,	Remer,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Ludington,	Schattler,
E. A. Brown,	Hertzler,	Mercer,	Smith,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Campbell,	Hull,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Churchill,	Hunt,	Moshier,	Struble,
Cole,	Keyes,	Northrop,	Sutton,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Norton,	Walton,
Curry,	Klein,	Potter,	Wiley,
Daly,	Knight,	Preston,	Wood,
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Mr. Walker moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill granting and defining the powers and duties of incorporated villages;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Walker,

The bill was re-committed to the judiciary committee with instruction to incorporate into said bill a provision, in accordance with section 16, Article XV. of the constitution, that previous notice of any application for an alteration of the charter of any corporation shall be given by publication, and that such proposed amendments be published in some newspaper published in the municipality affected by such charter, and that sworn evidence of such publication shall accompany the bill proposing such alteration or amendment.

Mr. Eggleston moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the consideration of

1. Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Article VI., of act number 245 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Allegan;"

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Eggleston,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. E. H. Green moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 289 (printed No. 182), entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of LaCroix, in Emmet county, to Cross village;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Van Aken moved to take from the table

House bill No. 90 (printed No. 110), entitled

A bill to repeal section 107, chapter 136 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, entitled "Primary Schools;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in certain amendments reported by the committee, and pending when the bill was tabled,

Mr. Goodyear offered the following as a substitute for section 2 of the bill:

"SECTION 2. The supervisor shall assess upon the taxable property in his township two mills upon each dollar of the valuation thereof in each year and report the amount of said tax to the township clerk of such township. And all moneys accruing from the two-mill tax shall be apportioned to the several school districts in such township according to the number of school children of lawful age, in the same manner as primary school money is apportioned."

Pending which,

Mr. Backus moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill.

Mr. Briggs demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robbins,
Backus,	I. Green,	Lay,	Robinson,
Benedict,	Harris,	Lee,	Schattler,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Livingstone,	Smith,
C. Brown,	Hertzler,	Ludington,	Struble,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Towne,
Campbell,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Howland,	Neff,	West,
Craig,	Hubbard,	Northrop,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Huggett,	Norton,	Whitney,
Daly,	Hull,	Ocobock,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Hunt,	Potter,	Wilson,
Ferguson,	Kilbourne,	Reed,	Wood,
Garfield,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker protem
Gerrish,			

NAYS.

Mr. Billings,
Briggs,
Goodyear,
Greiner,
Howard,

Mr. Keyes,
Little,
Mercer,
Morse,
Preston,

Mr. Ranney,
Ransom,
Stephens,
Stowe,

Mr. Sutton,
Taylor,
Van Aken,
Walton,

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GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hewitt,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Wilson in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. House bill No. 185 (printed No. 146), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Banks;

2. House bill No. 483 (printed No. 154), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52 and 53 of an act numbered 429, of the session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 73 of an act entitled 'An act to set off and incorporate a portion of the townships of Grand Haven and Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, into a city by the name of the city of Grand Haven,' approved March 16th, 1867, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 91 ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills:

3. House bill No. 375 (printed No. 142), entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Ann Arbor to levy and collect taxes for a specific purpose ;

4. House bill No. 54 (printed No. 61), entitled

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the "Teutonia Aid Society" of East Saginaw and the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw into one corporation," to be called the Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw, Michigan ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

T. M. WILSON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the first and second named bills,

The same were concurred in, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The third and fourth named bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Parker at the bar of the House, as one of the absentees at call of the House this P. M.

On motion of Mr. Dow,

Mr. Parker was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The following report was received :

The select committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of this House in regard to the death of the Hon. G. G. B. Yeckley, would report that they have had the matter under consideration, and beg leave to present the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. COPLEY,

C. B. POTTER,

JEREMIAH LUDINGTON, JR.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The following are the resolutions :

WHEREAS, In His wisdom the Great Disposer of Events has seen fit to remove from our midst on the 18th inst. the Hon. George Gordon Byron Yeckley, our late worthy and esteemed fellow member from the Second Representative District of Van Buren county ; and

WHEREAS, In the short time he has been with us he has endeared himself to all who have made his acquaintance, by the gentlemanly deportment, quiet demeanor, and close attention to business which so eminently characterized him, it is befitting and proper on this sad occasion that we should place on record our appreciation of his services as a legislator, and our admiration of his merits as a man ; therefore

Resolved, That while we deplore the departure of our worthy brother to higher, holier, and more exalted fields of usefulness, with deep feelings of regret, yet these emotions are softened by the consciousness innate in every reflecting mind, that in the future world there is more of honor, integrity, virtue, and consequent happiness, than in this, and though we, and his people, may sorrow and grieve for our loss, for him there is great gain.

Resolved, That we tender to his sorrowing wife and children our heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolence in the great affliction which they have sustained by the death of a loving husband and kind father, removed from appreciative friends and neighbors in the prime of manhood, just entering upon a new career of usefulness, whom to know was to respect and esteem ;

Resolved, That as a further token of our regard, a delegation of six members be selected to represent this body at the funeral solemnities of the departed, and join with friends and neighbors in assisting in the last sad offices of burial.

Resolved, That these resolutions be entered upon the journal, and a copy thereof, signed by the speaker and certified by the chief clerk, be transmitted to the wife of the deceased, and as a further mark of respect,

Resolved, That this house do now adjourn ;

Pending the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Copley addressed the House as follows:

The subject of these resolutions, Hon. G. G. B. Yeckley, was born in the State of New York, and emigrated to Washtenaw county, in this State, at the age of 22, where he resided for seven years, maintaining an unblemished reputation, as is evidenced by his election as justice of the peace. Fourteen years ago he removed to Hamilton township, Van Buren county, where he has since lived in the enjoyment of the respect and esteem of his fellow townsmen, having held the difficult position of supervisor for seven years to the general satisfaction of his constituents.

To show the attachment of his friends it might be added that his election as a Representative to this House was wholly unpremeditated, having been put forward as a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds and unanimously supported by that part of the county in which he resided; and failing by a few votes, he was at once presented by his zealous friends for the office of Representative, nominated, and triumphantly elected.

To you who have made his acquaintance here, nothing which I could say would add to the poignancy of this occasion. Quiet and unobtrusive to a fault, yet those who knew him best loved him most. To make his acquaintance was but to add to one's list of friends.

Three weeks ago this morning, he asked leave of absence until the Wednesday following,—little did he or we, dream that an indefinite leave would be accorded him.

Standing at the foot of the roll call here, he has been the first summoned to cross the dark waters.

At his home, where he was best known, you would find the truest record of his character and the warm feelings of friendship spontaneously going out to meet him.

On reaching the village of Decatur, near which he resided, last Saturday morning the first question that greeted me was, have you heard from Mr. Yeckley, from almost every one I met. Although living $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the village, the citizens were hourly in receipt of information in regard to his health. Yesterday morning the report was a trifle better; then in the afternoon, within two hours after his death, the lightning flashed over the wires the sad news that our ranks were broken, and that we, the representatives of legislative power in this State were powerless to overcome the fell destroyer. May we be reminded by his death that we too are daily hastening to that bourne from which no traveler returns. In the beautiful language of Miss Cary;

“ One swiftly solemn thought
Comes o'er me more and more :
I am nearer to my home to-day
Than ever I was before. ”

The question being on the adoption of the resolutions,

The same were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Pending the announcement of adjournment,

The Speaker *pro tem.* requested the House to relieve him of the responsibility of selecting the committee to attend the funeral.

On motion of Mr. Norton,

Mr. Copley was elected chairman of the committee; and

On motion of Mr. Backus,

Mr. Copley was authorized to designate the other five members of the committee;

Which he did as follows :

Messrs. West, Lay, Houston, Struble, and Smith.

The Speaker *pro tem.* then announced the House adjourned.

Lansing, Saturday, March 20, 1876.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Wilkins.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Ferguson, Hunt and Kilbourne.

Mr. Klein asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hunt until Monday evening.

Mr. Sutton asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for himself during the day.

Mr. Hull asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday morning.

Mr. Ransom asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday evening.

Mr. Livingstone asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Howland asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Greiner asked and obtained leave of absence for himself after to-day until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Meyer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself after to-day until Tuesday noon.

Mr. Preston asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the afternoon.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Stephens asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday noon.

Mr. Backus asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from 11 o'clock until Monday noon.

Mr. Keyes asked and obtained leave of absence from to-day noon until Monday noon.

Mr. Mercer asked and obtained leave of absence for himself from 11 o'clock until Monday noon.

Mr. Copley asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee appointed to attend the funeral services of Hon. G. G. B. Yeckley until Tuesday noon.

The Speaker announced as the member of the committee on engrossment and enrollment, to fill the vacancy in such committee occasioned by the death of Hon. G. G. B. Yeckley, Thomas M. Wilson of Macomb.

Mr. Backus, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Stanton;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 983. By Mr. Houston: Remonstrance of L. L. Lewis, J. B. W. Lewis, and 83 others, citizens of Calhoun county, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 984. By Mr. A. R. Wheeler: Petition of A. R. Sparks, John E. Chandler, and 42 others, of Oceana county, asking Congress to give the soldiers \$200 in greenbacks in lieu of 160 acres of land;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 985. By Mr. Daly: Petition of 136 citizens for the extension of the corporate limits of the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 986. By Mr. Cole: Remonstrance of Augustus H. Gillett, Niles Johnson, and 44 others, citizens of Manistee, against taxing church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 987. By Mr. Lee: Petition of E. Linkletter and 20 others, of Benzie county, asking that the Legislature change the resolution to Congress to a request for \$200 in U. S. legal tender notes instead 160 acres of land for each Union soldier;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 988. By Mr. Gerrish: Remonstrance of J. K. Heart, Rev. O. B. Waters, S. T. Dwight, and 33 others, citizens of Richmond, Osceola county, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law, and in favor of making it more effective;

Laid on the table.

No. 989. By Mr. Ocobock: Remonstrance of Michael Gaulty, T. J. Langlois, and 48 others, citizens of Wyandotte, against the taxing of church property;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 990. By Mr. Walton: Remonstrance of R. Woodhaus and 175 others, from Wenona, Mich., on the same subject;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 991. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of Chester Kimball, Arthur Carson, James Carson, and 72 others, citizens of Sanilac county, against any change of boundaries in said county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 992. By Mr. Howard: Remonstrance of T. H. Bottomley, C. F. Harrington, B. H. Nelson, and 32 others, residents of St. Clair county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 163, relative to killing deer;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 993. By Mr. Howard: Petition of W. H. Ring, Samuel Sweet, Neal Fuller, and 48 others, residents of St. Clair county, asking the repeal of an act entitled "An act to enable the Lapeer & Port Huron plank road company to charge and receive additional tolls for travel on their road ;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to prevent masters of vessels from signing false bills of lading,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to examine and adjust certain specific taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on internal improvements:

The committee on internal improvements, to whom was referred

House bill No. 323, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to Lower Thornapple Lake, in Barry county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. B. HALE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hale,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Clayton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grout, in said county of Gladwin,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 362, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Roscommon, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Higgins, in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 416, entitled

A bill to vacate the township of Algonquin, and attach the same to the township of Greenland, Ontonagon county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committee on appropriations:

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 245, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

A bill to prevent masters of vessels from signing false bills of lading,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Board of State Auditors to examine and adjust certain specific taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on internal improvements:

The committee on internal improvements, to whom was referred

House bill No. 323, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to Lower Thornapple Lake, in Barry county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

D. B. HALE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hale,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Clayton,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

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A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grout, in said county of Gladwin,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Roscommon, in the unorganized county of Roscommon, and attach the same to the township of Higgins, in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committee on appropriations:

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 245, entitled

A bill making appropriation for the building of a hospital in connection with the University of Michigan, and for the equipment of the same with hospital stores and furniture,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.

L. J. TAYLOR,

Chairman of the Committee on University and Normal School.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on drainage :

The committee on drainage, to whom was referred

House bill No. 463, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 47, being section 1756 of the compiled laws of 1871, relative to the drainage of swamps, marshes, and other low lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES LEE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committee on appropriations :

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

Senate joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for the exhibition of the horticultural and pomological productions of this State at the exhibition at the American pomological society, to be held at Chicago in 1875,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.

PETER DOW,

Chairman of the Committee on Horticulture.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations :

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 310, entitled

A bill to amend and revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 381, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, 33, and 36 of title 6, of "An act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids, being an act amendatory of an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Grand Rapids,' approved April 2, 1850, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof," approved March 14, 1871, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof, and to repeal section 14 of title 4, of said act, title 9 of said act, and section 28 of title 11, of said act,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 445, entitled

A bill to amend section 35 of an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved Feb. 5, 1857, as amended by the act amendatory thereof, approved April 30, 1873,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 436, entitled

A bill to amend an act supplementary to an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5, 1857, and to abolish citizens' meetings in said city, and to create a board of estimates for said city,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Walker,
The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 204, entitled

A bill to amend an act to establish a police government of the city of Detroit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, recommending that the bill be ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

The committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 440, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Detroit to borrow money for the purpose of erecting a central public market in said city, and to issue its bonds for the payment of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended be ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was recommitted with instructions
Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill granting and defining the powers and duties of incorporated villages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.
On motion of Mr. Parker,
The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the joint committee on appropriations:
The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 102, entitled
A bill making an appropriation for the Board of Fish Commissioners for the years 1875 and 1876,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.
LEROY PAKER,
Acting Chairman of the Committee on Fisheries.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred
House bill No. 348, entitled

A bill authorizing the State Land Commissioner to deed the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 16, town 5 north, range 16 east, St. Clair county, to Joseph Probst,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Governor to sign and cause to be issued a patent or deed for the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter of section 16, in township 5 north, of range 16 east, to Joseph Probst,

Recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. L. BRIGGS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Norton,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on religious and benevolent societies:

The committee on religious and benevolent societies, to whom was referred
House bill No. 266, entitled

A bill relating to children,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

S. M. GARFIELD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Garfield,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the joint committee on appropriations:

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 363, entitled

A bill to allow members of the Legislature from the Upper Peninsula of Michigan the sum of five dollars per day, during the present session of the Legislature,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the joint committee on appropriations:

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 448, entitled

A bill providing for the location, establishment, and organization of a State house of correction, and making an appropriation therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.

WM. LIVINGSTONE, JR.,

Chairman of the Committee on State Prison.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the joint committee on appropriations:

The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and construction of a State prison in the Upper Peninsula,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be placed on the general order, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.

WM. LIVINGSTONE, JR.,

Chairman of the Committee on State Prison.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State,
An act to incorporate the village of Hancock.

An act to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Calumet township, Houghton county.

An act relative to the use of sleeping, parlor and chair cars upon the railroads of this State.

An act to amend section 1 of "An act establishing a State agency for the care of juvenile offenders," approved April 29, 1873.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to repeal chapter eighty-four of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being
"An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors and improve the same ;"

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 201 (printed No. 101), entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 62, 83, 85, and 206 of "An act to revise the charter of the city of Ypsilanti," approved March 17, 1865, and also to amend section 97 of said act as amended by act No. 272 of the laws of 1869, approved March 12, 1869 ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all

the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 5, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by inserting in line 56, of section 11, after the word fire, the words "to regulate the duties, powers, and fees of the village officers;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hart moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Greiner,	Morse,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Norton,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Potter,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Preston,	Walton,
Craig,	Huggett,	Ranney,	Watkins,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Rich,	Wiley,
Garfield,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Gerrish,	Little,	Robinson,	Wood,
Goodyear,	Ludington,	Schattler,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,	Mercer,		

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill to organize the county of Roscommon,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out in line 1 of section 8, the word “eighteenth,” and inserting “twenty-first” in lieu thereof;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Hart moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	I. Green,	Morse,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Neff,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Norton,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walker,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Watkins,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Klein,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Daly,	Knight,	Reimer,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Little,	Robinson,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Ludington,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Goodyear,	Mercer,		

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 169, entitled

A bill to provide for a municipal court in the city of Grand Rapids, to be called “The Superior Court of Grand Rapids;”

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out section 7, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"SECTION 7. The clerk of the county of Kent shall be *ex officio* clerk of said court."

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Ransom moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Neff,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Howard,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walton,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Watkins,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,
Ferguson,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Little,	Robinson,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Ludington,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Goodyear,			

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 19, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 325, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 494 (printed No. 155), entitled

A bill to incorporate the city of Lapeer ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 288 (printed No. 152), entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Mackinac ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 173, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Mt. Clemens," approved April 4th, 1851 ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Schattler,

The rule requiring the second and third reading of bills to be on different days was suspended, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Schattler,
Backus,	Garfield,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harris,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Badlong,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Remer,	Wilson,
Curry,	Klein,	Rich, ¹	Wood,
Daly,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Dow,	Little,		
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Schattler,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 164 (printed No. 150), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 6, 16, 22, 31, 34, 38, 39, and 50 of an act to incorporate the city of Hastings, approved March 11, 1871, as amended by act No. 228 of the Session Laws of 1873, approved April 2, 1873,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out the word "may," in line 12 of section 33, and inserting "shall," in lieu thereof;

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Towne moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Metcalf,	Stowe,

Mr. Benedict, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Churchill, F. O. Clark, Cole, Curry, Daly, Eggleston,	Mr. I. Green, Greiner, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Hollon, Huggett, Hulbert, Keyes, Knight, Lee, Little, Ludington,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ranney, Remer, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,
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Mr. Campbell, Dow,	Mr. Garfield, Moshier,	Mr. Packard,	Mr. Sweetland,
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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 184 (printed No. 159), entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of article 2, sections 1 and 2 of article 3, sections 2 and 7 of article 6, sections 5 and 8 of article 8, section 2 of article 12, and to add a new section thereto, section 4 of article 16, section 1 of article 27, being act No. 233, of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to incorporate the village of Imlay City, in Lapeer county," approved April 4, 1873 ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 289 (printed No. 182), entitled

A bill to change the name of the township of LaCroix, in Emmet county, to Cross Village,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin.	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. Little, Ludington, Mercer, Moshier, Neff,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne,
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Mr. Bradfield,	Mr. Harris,	Mr. Norton,	Mr. Townsend,
Briggs,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Potter,	Walton,
Budlong,	Howard,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Ranney,	Whitney,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Remer,	Wiley,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Rich,	Wilson,
Craig,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wood,
Curry,	Klein,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Daly,	Lee,	Schattler,	

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Mr. Parker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to re-incorporate the village of Stanton.

Pending the reading thereof,

Mr. Parker moved that there be a call of the House ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Rich,
Backus,	Garfield,	Ludington,	Robbins,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Harris,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Packard,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wiley,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Curry,	Kilbourne,	Ransom,	Wood,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lee,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Backus,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Robbins, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table
Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations within this State ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Robbins,

The bill was re-committed to the committee of the whole.

Mr. Little, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 302 (printed No. 226), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw," approved February 5, 1859, approved March 27, 1867, as amended by act No. 305 of the session laws of 1869, and by act No. 224 of the session laws of 1871, and by act No. 216 of the session laws of 1873, and to add six new sections thereto ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of Article VI., of act number 245 of the session laws of 1869, entitled "An act to revise the charter of the village of Allegan,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robbins,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Billings,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hale,	Morse,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Harris,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hart,	Neff,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Ocoboek,	Whitney
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Wiley,
Curry,	Huggett,	Potter,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wood,
Dow,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Remer,	59

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Eggleston,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 185 (printed No. 14), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Banks, in Bay county ;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hale,	Morse,	Towne,
Budlong,	Harris,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Hollon,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Watkins,
Craig,	Huggett,	Parker,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Wiley,
Daly,	Keyes,	Preston,	Wilson,
Dow,	Klein,	Ranney,	Wood,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Remer,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Little,	Robbins,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Budlong,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 375 (printed No. 142), entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Ann Arbor to levy and collect taxes for a specific purpose,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Ludington,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Billings,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Morse,	Towne,
O. Brown,	Hale,	Moshier,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hart,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hollon,	Packard,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Whitney,
Cole,	Huggett,	Potter,	Wiley,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wilson,
Curry,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wood,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Speaker,
Dow,	Lee,	Robbins,	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 54 (printed No. 61), entitled

A bill to provide for the consolidation of the "Teutonia Aid Society" of East Saginaw and the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association" of East Saginaw into one corporation, to be called the "Workmen's Mutual Benefit Association of East Saginaw," Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Eggleston,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Garfield,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	I. Green,	Morse,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Wiley,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wilson,
Curry,	Klein,	Remer,	Wood,
Daly,	Lee,	Rich,	Speaker, 68

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

House bill 483 (printed No. 154), entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, and 53 of an act numbered 429, of the session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, and 73 of an act entitled 'An act to set off and incorporate a portion of the townships of Grand Haven and Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, into a city by the name of the city of Grand Haven,' approved March 16th, 1867, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 91,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	I. Green,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Neff,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Northrop,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Van Raalte,

Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Hubbard,	Mr. Parker,	Mr. Walton,	
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	Watkins,	
Cole,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Whitney,	
Craig,	Keyes,	Ranney,	Wiley,	
Curry,	Klein,	Remer,	Wilson,	
Daly,	Lee,	Rich,	Wood,	
Dow,	Little,	Robbins,	Speaker,	
Eggleston,	Ludington,			66
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Harris,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 302 (printed No. 226), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw, approved February 5th, 1859," approved March 27th, 1867, as amended by act No. 305 of the session laws of 1869, and by act No. 224 of the session laws of 1871, and by act No. 216 of the session laws of 1873, and to add six new sections thereto,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Benjamin moved to amend the bill by striking out of line 7, of recited section 54, all after the word "therein ;"

Pending which

Mr. Briggs moved that the House take a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Van Aken moved that the House do now adjourn ;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The House then took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called : quorum present.

Mr. Dow asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Cole for the afternoon on account of sickness.

Mr. Curry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bradfield until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

Mr. Rich asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Little asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday forenoon.

Mr. Hale asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday.

Mr. Taylor asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for Monday forenoon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 302 (printed No. 226), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw, approved February 5, 1859," approved March 27, 1857, as amended by act No. 305 of the Session Laws of 1869, and by act No. 224 of the Session Laws of 1871, and by act No. 216 of the Session Laws of 1873, and to add six new sections thereto ;

To which the following amendment was pending when the House took a recess this forenoon :

Mr. Benjamin moved to amend the bill by striking out of line 7, in section 54, all after the word "therein ;"

Which motion prevailed.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Schattler,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hale,	Neff,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Norton,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Van Rualte,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walker,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walton,
Craig,	Huggett,	Potter,	Watkins,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Dow,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Lee,	Rich,	Wood,
Ferguson,	Little,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Garfield,	Ludington,	Robinson,	71

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Little,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on harbors :

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to repeal chapter 84 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being "An act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors and improve the same,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be placed on its immediate passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

T. M. WILSON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the bill was put upon its immediate passage, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Little,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	McLachlin,	Taylor,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Billings,	Greiner,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Hale,	Morse,	Van Aken,
O. Brown,	Harris,	Moshier,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Walker,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Norton,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Packard,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Wiley,
Curry,	Keyes,	Potter,	Wilson,
Daly,	Kilbourne,	Preston,	Wood,
Dow,	Klein,	Ranney,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Remer,	71

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Mr. Sweetland,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Churchill,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

The joint committee appointed to investigate charges against the management of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, submitted the following report:

The undersigned, members of the committees of the two Houses, respectively, on the institution for the deaf, dumb and blind, who were directed by the following resolutions of the Senate, passed February 19th, 1875:

WHEREAS, A letter over the signature of "Asylum," has appeared in a paper published and circulated in the northwest, charging the superintendent of the Flint Asylum for the deaf and dumb with incompetency, dishonesty, and arbitrary and dictatorial treatment of the unfortunates under his charge; therefore,

Resolved. That the committee on the asylum for the deaf and dumb, and the blind be required to investigate the affairs of said institution, with the view of determining whether or not said charges are true; and the committee are hereby authorized to send for persons and papers;

And of the House of Representatives passed February 19, as follows:

Resolved, That the standing committee of the House, on the institution for the deaf, dumb and the blind be authorized to examine into the management, government and affairs of said institution, with power to examine under oath, and to send for persons and papers:

Said committees met at Flint on the 4th inst., and finding their aims to be identical, united in conducting the investigations, and submit the following jointly as the results of the said investigation :

At the first session of the committee the question was presented as to whether the sessions held should be public or private. The determination arrived at was that the testimony taken was for the benefit of the committee to enable them to make a true report to the Legislature, and that it should be subject to the further action of the Legislature as to its being made public. The trustees of the institution, the principal and his attorneys, the party having charge of the evidence and charges against the Institution, and his clerk, and the sheriff in attendance were allowed admission, each witness being summoned when wanted, and retiring when his evidence was completed. Full scope was given for the summoning of witnesses, and the testimony of a large number of persons within and without the Institution was taken, and your committee did not adjourn until all parties interested and appearing agreed to rest their respective cases. It was the desire of the committee to get at the truth, and to investigate in any and all directions that might be indicated. Large latitude was allowed in regard to the testimony admitted, your committee endeavoring by the questions asked to get at the facts. We found the books of the Institution systematically kept, and a full record of the expenditures of the funds of the Institution, and from the examination made, are of the opinion that the financial affairs of the Institution have been and are honestly managed. The present board of trustees, since taking charge of the Institution have made some changes in the arrangements of the division of time between the intellectual and industrial departments of the education of the pupils,—the good or ill effect of which can only be determined after a more extended trial, and by a comparison of results,—these changes, while meeting the full approval of the managers of the shops, and being regarded by them as a decided improvement, are as earnestly objected to by many of the teachers as detrimental to intellectual progress. This difference of opinion, your committee judge, has, among other things, tended to a decided want of harmony in the Institution.

Careful inquiry was made with reference to the subject of severe and unnecessary punishments, the taking and not properly accounting for the money of the pupils; the food, discipline, health, and pastime of the pupils, and also as to the question of sectarianism as an element of discord in the institution. On these points the committee cordially unite in saying that no facts were presented warranting any such charges as appeared in the newspapers, and that the management and care of the pupils seemed to be dictated by correct principles. The committee unite in saying that while they discovered nothing requiring legislative action, they are satisfied that the board of trustees can profit largely in directing the management of the institution from hearing the criticisms and testimony elicited by this investigation, more particularly in the more distinct separation of the business management of the institution from the educational departments.

The present principal has been in charge of the educational department for eleven years, and enjoys a high reputation as an educator. We judge that his duties should be strictly confined to that department, and that he should be relieved from any care or responsibility in any other direction. Submitting these

as the conclusions of your committee, we ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

FRED L. WELLS,
MATTHEW T. GARVEY,
H. J. REDFIELD,
Senate Committee.
SAMUEL S. WALKER,
GEORGE P. ROBINSON,
AMOS R. WHEELER,
G. E. KNIGHT,
JNO. D. NORTON,
House Committee.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 485, entitled

A bill to amend sections 22, 23, 24, and 71, of chapter 58, of Revised Statutes of 1846, as amended by act 34 of the laws of 1867, approved February 28, 1867, as amended by act 170 of the laws of 1871, being sections 3602, 3603, 3604, and 3641 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 487, entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 23 of the revised statutes of 1846, relating to highways, as amended by act 31 of the laws of 1871, approved March 10, 1871, being section 1220 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
House bill No. 489, entitled

A bill to amend section 18 of an act relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing highways, approved March 15, 1861, being section 1269 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 486, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the several townships of this State to raise money by tax, or to borrow money to build or repair bridges," approved March 25, 1867, being section 752 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 488, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the cities, townships, and incorporated villages of the State of Michigan to aid in the construction and maintenance of wagon, gravel, cobble-stone, pounded stone, and plank roads," approved March 15, 1867, being section 1279 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 484, entitled

A bill to amend section 11 of an act entitled "An act to define the powers and duties of the boards of supervisors of the several counties, and to confer upon them certain local administrative and legislative powers," approved April 8, 1851, amended by act 81 of the session laws of 1867, approved March 22, 1867, being section 477 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

House bill No. 490, entitled,

A bill to amend section three of chapter sixteen, of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 638 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Bills from 484 to 490 are intended to correct abuses in the matter of local taxation in sparsely settled districts, and do not in any way affect the older portions of the State.

The principle that the amount of tax authorized to be raised by statute should not exceed a certain percentage on the property upon which it is levied, has always been recognized in our legislation. In districts where the people who vote the tax are also the people who pay the tax, the limitations fixed by the present statutes are found sufficient. Only residents are allowed to vote taxes or have any voice in their disbursement. The lands in many of the northern towns and counties, though owned almost entirely by residents of the State, are owned by citizens not residing in those towns and counties.

Abundant evidence was presented to your committee that in many localities the statutes as they now exist have been and are now being used, not for purposes of local improvement, but for purposes of corruption and plunder, and that there is no pretense that the taxes raised are honestly expended.

The assessing districts are unusually large, and the property is in many of them very valuable. The temptation then for irresponsible men to use the taxing power corruptly is correspondingly great. Your committee recognize fully the fact that the majority of the early settlers in a new and unbroken country are men of limited means, and their needs should be protected by liberal legislation. These bills aim to give to the settlers ample funds for the building of roads and bridges, building and maintaining good schools and meeting all the legitimate expenses of county and town organizations.

They make applicable to these districts, however, the principle that applies to the balance of the State, that the amount raised by tax shall bear a certain ratio to the property owned by the voters. To show the necessity of some change in the present statutes, your committee submit from the many statements presented to them, the figures as taken from the assessment rolls of two organized townships.

GLADWIN, SINCE 1862.

Gladwin Township organized 1870, Grout Township organized 1873; previously attached to Jerome and Ingersoll.

YEAR.	State.	County.	Township.	Highway.	School.	Populat'n.	Scholars.	Total.
1862.....	\$375 22	\$1,879 82	\$1,142 80	\$839 02	\$244 11	---	---	\$4,480 47
1863.....	429 02	1,848 48	868 79	1,476 77	886 15	---	---	4,959 16
1864.....	494 40	8,761 83	2,111 08	2,398 81	477 75	---	---	9,288 87
1865.....	778 95	8,180 06	1,505 89	2,789 25	655 59	---	---	13,860 66
1866.....	1,305 10	2,860 86	1,988 18	5,625 08	1,047 87	---	---	12,826 04
1867.....	1,945 65	8,558 73	1,827 69	9,208 85	1,470 92	---	---	23,011 84
1868.....	1,541 99	8,903 48	2,488 93	7,440 95	1,500 03	---	---	21,888 38
1869.....	1,147 67	17,088 78	1,019 08	5,595 90	2,597 19	---	---	27,436 34
1870.....	891 81	7,218 75	4,416 97	7,062 10	1,607 32	124	7	21,191 95
1871.....	1,035 87	7,019 64	8,278 35	6,464 63	1,491 04	---	7	19,198 93
1872.....	1,057 48	8,825 89	1,494 21	6,930 58	1,669 51	---	86	15,607 67
1873 { Grout.	178 73	1,429 88	700 94	1,035 46	236 26	---	---	8,581 27
1873 { Gladw	1,188 40	9,363 40	1,000 00	6,812 83	1,702 46	---	44	20,067 19
1874 { Grout.	316 95	1,204 30	1,894 00	1,204 80	438 00	---	---	5,057 55
1874 { Gladw	1,128 22	7,448 71	8,470 38	11,064 90	1,961 45	146	46	30,014 15
	\$13,814 81	\$90,037 48	\$34,217 29	\$75,943 88	\$17,353 25	---	---	\$231,366 71

ROSCOMMON.

Organized into township in 1873, previously attached to Midland. Higgins township organized from Roscommon in 1874.

YEAR.	State.	County.	Township.	Highway.	School.	Amount.
1869..	\$455 78	\$6,835 77	\$1,093 75	\$3,291 38	\$911 50	\$12,588 18
1870..	620 42	4,810 10	1,658 39	3,785 46	755 15	11,629 52
1871..	811 40	5,548 88	2,086 78	4,288 07	846 07	18,581 26
1872..	808 44	2,875 55	3,426 12	4,626 75	920 37	12,657 28
1873..	1,530 00	12,055 00	1,530 00	23,870 92	3,014 67	42,000 59
*1874..	401 15	2,664 16	1,000 00	2,664 16	954 45	7,688 92
†1874..	727 10	4,829 32	1,514 02	3,473 67	2,014 82	12,576 18
	\$5,354 29	\$39,618 78	\$12,309 06	\$46,000 41	\$9,417 03	\$112,716 82

* Higgins.
† Roscommon.

Only ten residents on assessment roll for 1873.

The amendments relating to the school law have been submitted to the Superintendent of Public Instruction and have his cordial indorsement.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that the bills do pass.
H. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Private Secretary of the Governor, who transmitted to the House a message from his Excellency the Governor, in writing.

By the joint committee on appropriations:
The joint committee on appropriations, to whom was referred

House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the State Reform School for the years 1875 and 1876,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

H. HOWARD,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Appropriations.

D. McLACHLIN,

Chairman of the Committee on Reform School.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. A. R. Wheeler,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The bill was then ordered re-printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the Reform School:

The committee on Reform School, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to that institution, respectfully report that they have made it their especial business during the leisure time of the session to visit that institution and examine into its management and investigate its affairs, and after such full examination, they fully concur in that portion of the Governor's message relating to said school, and would respectfully quote from the message as expressive of their opinion. The Governor on page 18 says: "In its financial affairs, and on every side, there are many evidences of progress. Each family house that has been erected has had a lifting-up effect upon the school. It is to be regretted that this plan had not been adopted in the beginning." The sum of \$35,000 per year was for years regularly appropriated to the school for running expenses. Two years ago the sum appropriated was reduced to \$30,000 per year, and it will be seen that the board of control returned of this sum \$7,500 to the State treasury, making the average amount used for running expenses for the last two years \$26,000 per year. Your committee therefore recommend that the sum of \$25,000 for each of the years 1875 and 1876 be appropriated for the current expenses of the school, believing that that amount will be absolutely necessary, as it is conceded both by the board and the Governor, that the amount received for labor will be less in the immediate future than it has been in the past. Your committee are therefore unanimously of the opinion that a less sum would not be sufficient to meet promptly the expenses of the school.

The week before the convening of the Legislature, one of the boilers for warming the building and cooking the food gave out. It was necessary at once to purchase a new boiler, as the cold weather and the demand for cooked food would admit of no delay, and the expense necessary was incurred, certainly no member of your committee but what approved of this action, for which \$1,000 is necessary. The appropriation for gas was also duly considered, and on one occasion when your committee were visiting the school, the visit was prolonged into the evening, and on entering one of the school-rooms, sufficient danger from kerosene was seen to fully satisfy your committee of the great liability to lose by fire the whole institution at any time, and as the policy of the Legislature as expressed this session, seems to be that the State should insure its own

buildings, we are by all means of the opinion that the State should make its buildings as safe as possible, and to that end \$2,500 should be appropriated for the purpose of lighting the Reform School buildings with gas at the earliest possible moment.

The sum of \$500 asked for library and literature was, in the opinion of your committee, not larger than needed, and is therefore recommended.

The boy Charles Casey, the subject of the petition referred to us, has been inquired about, as much as we could do in the time allowed. We are satisfied that he is one of those cases, from natural causes a criminal ; his mother in a communication to the school, states that from infancy he was a thief. Within four months of the time he was released from the reform school, he became an inmate of the house of correction at Detroit. Your committee can easily see that there will be cases of bad boys, very bad boys, who in their criminal career first bring up in the reform school, and that, or any other institution cannot reform. As to the condition of the boy's head, we are informed that it is the duty and the custom of the matron to furnish fine combs, and, when necessary, ointment, and assist the smaller boys, and use all reasonable means to cause all boys so afflicted to rid themselves of the pest. Your committee have no doubt that, like measles and other ills, lice occasionally have a run through the institution, but in their repeated visits to the institution they have been fully convinced that cleanliness is one of the cardinal virtues of the school, and that every effort is made, and that too with apparent good success, to keep the inmates and buildings clean.

Your committee would recommend the following appropriations in addition to those already mentioned:

Repairs on building.....	\$ 2,000. 00
Furniture.....	500 00
Kitchen furniture.....	200 00
Oven (new)	350 00
Repairs on laundry and engine.....	500 00
New fence.....	500 00
Outhouses and washroom.....	500 00
Improvements on farm.....	450 00

Making the total appropriation asked for the ensuing two years, \$59,500 00.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. McLACHLIN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 189 (printed No. 181), entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from each of the present townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Frost ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Hart, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of the following bills :

1. House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Clayton ;

2. House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grout ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

The bills were placed on the order of third reading.

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled signed, and presented to the Governor, the following bills:

1. House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Red Jacket, in Calumet township, in Houghton county ;

2. House bill No. 133, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Blissfield in the township of Blissfield, Lenawee county, Michigan ;

3. House bill No. 191, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and building a State road in Osceola county, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road ;

4. House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to authorize judges of probate to require new bonds from executors, administrators, special administrators, and trustees ;

5. House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of societies of St. Patrick ;

6. House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto ;

7. House bill No. 188, entitled

A bill organize the county of Roscommon,

CHAS. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The House then resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill granting and defining the powers and duties of incorporated villages ;
Pending the reading thereof,

Mr. Hollon moved that there be a call of the House ;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members reported absent without leave:

Messrs. Churchill, Craig, Daly, Harris, and Sweetland.

On motion of Mr. Watkins,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was despatched after the absentees.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Churchill at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Huggett,

Mr. Churchill was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Craig at the bar of the House.

On motion of Mr. Metcalf,

Mr. Craig was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with except as to bringing in the absentees.

Pending the further reading of the bill,

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Daly at the bar of the House as one of the absentees at the call of the House this P. M.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

Mr. Daly was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the bill,

1st. By inserting in line 8, of section 5 of Chapter V., between the words "a" and "vote" the word "concurring;"

2d. By striking out of the same line the words "the council" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "all the trustees elect;"

Mr. Bailey moved to amend by striking out of section 7, of chapter IX., all after the word "roll" in line 2, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Containing the names of the resident persons liable to be taxed, a full description of all the real estate, the estimated value of each tract or parcel, and the aggregate valuation of the personal estate of each person liable to be taxed;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Metcalf moved to amend by striking out of line 2, in section 1 of chapter II., the word "one marshal;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Metcalf moved to amend by inserting in line 1, of section 2, of chapter II., after the word "appoint," where it first occurs, the words "a village marshal;"

Which motion prevailed.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Harris at the bar of the House, as one of the absentees at call of the House this afternoon;

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

Mr. Harris was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Metcalf moved to amend by striking out line 1, in section 4, of chapter II., the word "marshal;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Northrop moved to amend:

1st. By inserting in line 4, of section 20, of chapter IX., between the words "the warrant" the words "return of;"

2d. By inserting between the words "said warrant," in line 5 of the same section, the words "return of;"

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Potter moved to strike out all after the enacting clause of the bill;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,
Benedict,

Mr. I. Green,
Greiner,

Mr. Metcalf,
Meyer,

Mr. Stephens,
Stowe,

Mr. Benjamin,	Mr. Hale,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Neff,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hart,	Northrop,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Ocobeck,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Potter,	Watkins,
Craig,	Kilbourne,	Ranney,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Klein,	Remer,	Whitney,
Daly,	Lee,	Rich,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Little,	Robbins,	Wilson,
Garfield,	Ludington,	Robinson,	Wood,
Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Schattler,	Speaker,
E. H. Green,			

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Moshier,
Dow,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Hale, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 101, entitled

A bill to amend section 41, of the session laws of eighteen hundred and sixty-nine (1869), being section 1007 of the Compiled Laws of eighteen hundred and seventy-one (1871), relative to assessment and collection of taxes ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hale,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on municipal corporations.

Mr. Ocobeck, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of

House bill 357, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Wyandotte,

And that the bill be placed on the order of third reading ;

Which was adopted.

By unanimous consent the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill: House bill No. 185 (printed No. 146), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Banks,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out in line 4 of section 1 Article I., the word "Recorder ;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a

majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Walton moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the committee;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Meyer,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	I. Green,	Morse,	Taylor,
Billings,	Greiner,	Moshier,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hale,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Norton,	Van Raulte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Packard,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Watkins,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Klein,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Knight,	Remer,	Wilson,
Dow,	Lee,	Rich,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Little,		

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

By unanimous consent, the House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I return herewith, without my approval, House bill No. 126, entitled "An act to provide for the construction of a State road in the counties of Newaygo and Lake." This act is similar in its language and purposes to many others that have been enacted in the past,—some of which have been approved by myself. I have long since been convinced that the policy of constructing State roads by the State, in this manner, was unwise. I am now also convinced that it is unconstitutional.

This bill provides that the Governor shall appoint a commissioner to construct a State road between certain points, with power to employ surveyors and other assistants, and places in his hands the highway taxes for three years upon the non-resident lands lying within two miles on either side of said road, and directs the county and township treasurers to turn over the moneys collected to the commissioner, without any knowledge of the cost of the work or of the gross amount of money to be raised. How is it possible to judge as to whether one year's

taxes or ten years' taxes will be required to do the work? The appropriation may be \$50,000. In the case of a similar act in the county of Oscoda, passed in 1873, and approved by me, the non-resident highway taxes for three years were appropriated, while the road was constructed with one years' tax, yet the highway taxes for three years are locked up by the laws. This and other like cases seem to me sufficient proof of the unwise character of this class of legislation. This bill takes away from the highway officers of the township, all control of the expenditure of highway taxes, and places it in the hands of a State agent. Such agents cannot become town officers by acquiescence. The township has no share in their appointment, and they interfere with the functions of such town officers as are constitutionally provided for. Highway commissioners are constitutional officers (Sec. 1, art. XL, Constitution), and cannot be legislated out of office; nor can township highways and other local interests be taken from the custody of the proper local officers.—See 25 Mich., p. 158; *Hubbard vs. Township Board of Springwells*. I am therefore of the opinion that the action proposed by this bill is clearly unconstitutional. This system of constructing roads has grown up from the pernicious manner in which non-resident highway taxes has been expended in many of the counties and townships of this State. Non-residents seeing their money expended year by year in constructing sidewalks in villages miles away from their lands and not a rod of road built in the district in which their lands were taxed, conceived this plan of construction to remedy those serious evils. It is to be hoped that some means may be devised by which these wrongs may be righted; but the bill under consideration is not, in my opinion, a constitutional method of accomplishing it. In this connection, I also desire to call your attention to sec. 3, chap. 25, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, which declares that the highway tax, assessed and collected, shall be applied and expended by the overseer in the purchase of implements, or construction and repair of the roads and bridges in the same district, except when said taxes are otherwise appropriated or disposed of by law.

The act of 1857, containing this exception in the last clause of this section, revising as it does the entire system of highway expenditures, contained no reference in its title to this important change, and should therefore be construed as of no force and effect.

This being so, the bill under consideration would seem to be in clear violation of the general road law.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

Mr. Watkins moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding,

On motion of Mr. Van Aken,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I return herewith, without my approval, House bill No. 111, entitled "An act to amend section 2 of an act entitled 'An act for the laying out, establishing, and constructing a State road in the county of Oscoda, and appropriating cer-

tain non-resident highway taxes to construct the same,' approved April 30th, 1873." This bill is of the same character as House bill No. 126, and is returned without my signature for the same reasons.

JNO. J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding;

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The bill was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives:

I return herewith without my approval, House bill No. 191, entitled "An act to provide for laying out and building a State road in Osceola county, to be known as the Hersey and Tustin State road."

My reasons for not approving this bill have already been given in the case of House bill No. 126, and as this is of the same nature, I respectfully refer to the message relating thereto.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

Mr. Benjamin moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill, the objections of the Governor to the contrary notwithstanding.

On motion of Mr. Towne,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Towne,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Monday, March 22, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Miss Chapin.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent without leave: Messrs. Benedict, Billings, Craig, Hollon, Kilbourne, Klein, Mercer, Parker, Preston, Walker, Walton, I. P. Wheeler, Wilson, and Wood.

Mr. Dow asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Craig for the forenoon.

Mr. Robinson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Aken for the day.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The other absentees were granted leave of absence for the day.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Sweetland at the bar of the House, as one of the absentees at call of the House on Saturday P. M.

On motion of Mr. Ranney,

Mr. Sweetland was admitted within the bar, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 994. By Mr. Bartow : Petition of citizens of Clinton county, in relation to soldiers' bounties ;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

No. 995. By Mr. Bartow : Remonstrance of citizens of Ionia county against the passage of House bill No. 128, or any bill for the sale of intoxicating beverages ;

Laid on the table.

No. 996. By Mr. Armstrong : Memorial to the Legislature of Michigan relative to taxing church property.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong,

The memorial was read at length, and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

A MEMORIAL.

To the Legislature of Michigan :

GENTLEMEN,—It seems to us that no difference should be made in levying taxes between church property and other property ; but there are those who think ministers are such holy men that it would be improper to ask them to pay taxes. Now we will brush aside any doubts we may have of ministerial virtue, and admit, for the sake of the argument, that every minister in Michigan is as meek as a lamb, as pure as an angel, and as innocent as a new-born babe ; what follows ? All this holiness exists only in the person of the priest ! The timbers, and boards, and shingles in the house of the minister are no better than the timbers, and boards, and shingles in the house of his neighbor, the shoemaker ; both houses are protected by the laws of the State, and both should be taxed to pay the expenses of the State.

The memorial was referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 997. By Mr. I. Green : Remonstrance of D. W. Hammond and 50 others, against the taxing of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

No. 998. By Mr. Townsend : Remonstrance of Wm. Rauson, Amos Lewis, Benjamin Walker, and 40 others, residents and property-owners of the town of Burnside, Lapeer county, against being detached from Lapeer county, and incorporated with the county of Butler ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 999. By Mr. Townsend : Remonstrance of John Hoffman, C. G. Allen, Hulbert Hoffman, and 15 others, property owners of Burnside, Lapeer county, on the same subject ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 1000. By Mr. Goodyear : Remonstrance of John Webster, H. Larkins, and 60 other citizens of Barry county, against the passage of Senate bill No. 163, providing a penalty for hounding deer and other game ;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 1001. By Mr. I. Green : Petition of Martin Van Seeke and 40 others, for the organization of Butler county ;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 1002. By Mr. Hulbert : Remonstrance of Joseph Frazer, Hon. Richard M. Hoar, Hon. Chas. E. Holland, Hon. C. R. Grant, and 25 others, against the taxing of church property ;

Referred to the committees on ways and means and religious and benevolent societies, jointly.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on education :

The committee on education, to whom was referred

House bill No. 335, entitled

A bill to provide for the establishment and instruction of normal classes in union and high schools.

This bill provides that the primary school fund arising from the sale of swamp lands shall be used for the support of such classes. To reduce the primary school fund \$15,000 per annum and give it to a few schools would perhaps be unjust ; to divide it equally among all the union and high schools would give each a sum too small to be of any practical benefit, and would greatly reduce the amount received from the State for the support of primary schools, which is of very doubtful propriety. They have, therefore, directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

F. G. BAILEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard,

The bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 397 (printed No. 212), entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' " approved March 29, 1871 ;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. By inserting after the word "street," in line 11 of section 3, the following :
"thence north along the centre of Sanford street to the center of Park street ;
thence west to the intersection of said street and Jefferson street ; thence north-
westerly along the center of Jefferson street to the center of Western avenue ;
thence southwesterly to the intersection of said street with Market ; thence
northerly along the center of Market street to the center of Water street ; thence
westerly along the center of Water street to the easterly line of the mill prop-
erty of Chapin & Foss ; thence northerly along said line to the center of Mus-
kegon lake. Third ward shall embrace all that portion of said city lying south
and west of the division line last aforesaid, and north and east of the following

division line, to-wit : commencing at the intersection of Sanford street and Third street."

2. By striking out the word "third," in 17th line of same section and inserting "fourth," and by striking out "fourth" in the 24th line and inserting "fifth" in lieu thereof, and by striking out "north," in same line, and inserting "south" in lieu thereof.

3. By striking out the words "two school inspectors," in line 4 of section 8, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one superintendent of schools and one school inspector;" and also by inserting in the same line after the word "and," the word "four;" also, by inserting after the word "supervisors," in the 5th line, the words "superintendent of schools, school inspector;" also by striking out of line 6, the words "school inspectors."

4. By inserting after the word "duties," in line 2 of section 18, the following words "as are required of similar officers by the general laws of this State, and perform such other duties;" and also, by inserting after the word "and," in the first line of said section the word "those."

5. By inserting after the word "treasurer" in line 7 of section 26, the word "supervisors;" also by inserting in line 20, after the words "salary of the," the words "water commissioners, sewer commissioners, and others;" also by striking out the words "and school inspectors," in line 12 and inserting the words "superintendent of schools and school inspector" in lieu thereof.

6. By filling the blank in line 6 of section twenty-four with the words "forty-three."

7. By inserting after the word "made" in line 1 of section thirty-seven, the words "all appointments to office;" also by striking out the word "of" in line two of said section, and inserting the word "the" after the word "all;" also by striking off the syllable "ed" from the word "elected," in same line.

8. By inserting after the word "poor," in line 4 of section 40, the following : "in reference to the cemeteries and the public health of said city."

9. By inserting the following after the word "therein," in line 67 of section 43, "To prohibit, restrain, or regulate the erection of any mill or other building of a combustible nature that is being erected or intended to be erected in such a locality or manner as to endanger the safety of said city."

10. So that section No. 7, page 17, of the bill shall stand as section 47.

11. By striking out all of section 52 to and including the word "council," in the 9th line; also by striking out in line 9 of said section the words "fees and costs, except jury fees," and inserting the word "fines" in lieu thereof; also by inserting in line 11, of section 52, the word "prosecution" after the word "each."

12. By striking out the word "five" in section 59, and inserting the word "seven" in lieu thereof;

13. By striking out the word "city" in line 7 of section 62.

14. By striking out the words "the same," and the words "and to alter and vacate" in line four of section 108, the last words being where they occur the last time in said line.

15. By inserting the word "may" after the word council in line five of section 114.

16. So that section No. 118, page 33 of the bill shall stand as section 116; and further amend said section by inserting the words "side" after the word "such" in the fifth line, and by striking out the word "thereof" in the fourth line, and inserting the words "of such sidewalks" in lieu thereof;

17. By striking out the word "purchaser" in line 12 of section 157, and inserting the word "purchasers" in lieu thereof;

18. By inserting after the word "day," in line 4 of section 159, the words "the board ;" also, by adding at the end of said section the following : "The common council of said city shall cause a registration of the electors of the second and third wards of said city as described in this act to be made, and for that purpose said common council shall give the notice required by law, provide the new registers, and designate the persons and places for taking such registration : *Provided*, That the aldermen of said new wards, if present, shall act as members of said board of registration in their respective wards : *And provided further*, That if the length of time for giving notice of such registration, and for giving the notice of the election to be held on the first Monday of April, A. D., 1875, shall not be such as is required by law, that such registration and election shall not, for that reason, be deemed illegal, if such notices are regular in other respects."

19. By striking out of section 47, page seventeen of the printed bill, the words "and be entitled to the same compensation."

20. By striking out the words "and compensation," in line 5 of section 54.

21. By striking out all after the word "council," in line 3 of section 94.

22. By striking out the word "compensation," in line 4 of section 110.

In the passage of which, as thus amended the Senate has concurred, by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Whitney moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Garfield,	Metcalf,	Robinson,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Morse,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Moshier,	Stowe,
Briggs,	E. H. Green,	Neff,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	I. Green,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Harris,	Norton,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Hewitt,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Cole,	Knight,	Ranney,	Whitney,
Daly,	Lee,	Reed,	Wiley,
Dow,	Ludington,	Remer,	Speaker, 52

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The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 154, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52 and 53 of an act numbered 429, of the session laws of 1869, approved April 3, 1869, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 14, 33, 36, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 73 of an act entitled 'An act to set off and incorporate a portion of the townships of Grand Haven and Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, into a city by the name of the city of Grand Haven,' approved March 16th, 1867, and to add one new section thereto, to stand as section 91 ;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill :

House bill No. 49 (printed No. 57), entitled

A bill to amend sections 12, 14, 1, 86, 87, 89 and 3 of chapter 12, being sections 647, 649, 695, 729, 730, 732, 735, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the powers and duties of townships and election and duties of township officers, and sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1, 1, and 1, of chapter 23, being sections 1192, 1193, 1194, 1196, 1199, 1202, 1203, 1204, 1205, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1212, 1214 and 1215, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to officers having the care and superintendence of highways and bridges, and their general powers and duties, and sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of chapter 24, being sections 1217, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223 and 1224, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to persons liable to work on highways and making assessment therefor, and sections 3, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 1, of chapter 25, being sections 1228, 1240, 1241, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1246, 1247, 1248 and 1251, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the duties of overseers in regard to the performance of labor on highways, the performance of such labor or the commutation therefor and application of moneys by the commissioners, and sections 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 14, 15, 16, and 1 of chapter 26, being sections 1253, 1254, 1255, 1258, 1259, 1262, 1265, 1266, 1267, and 1278 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to laying out, altering, and discontinuing public roads, and sections 2, 4, 5, and 6 of chapter 27, being sections 1290, 1292, 1293, and 1294, of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the obstruction of highways, encroachments thereon, and penalties, and sections 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 2, and 3 of chapter 28, being sections 1301, 1303, 1304, 1306, 1307, 1308, 1310 and 1311 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the erection, repairing, and preservation of bridges, and sections 2 and 5 of

chapter 29, being sections 1317, 1321 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to miscellaneous provisions of a general nature, and sections 1, 3, 4, 1, 2, and 4 of chapter 31, being sections 1335, 1337, 1338, 1340, 1341, and 1343 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to private roads, and sections 9 and 14 of chapter 47, being sections 1753, 1758 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the draining of swamps, marshes, and low lands, and sections 2, 3, and 4 of chapter 68, being, sections 2130, 2131, 2132 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the spread of Canada thistles, and sections 27 and 45 of chapter 78, being sections 2587 and 2605 of Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to plank road companies, being the various sections defining the powers and duties of the commissioners of highways, and adding a new section thereto,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows :

By adding to the end of section 1 the following : " Be amended so as to read as follows ;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take effect from and after the first Monday of April, 1875, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Benjamin moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate ;

Pending which,

Mr. Potter moved that the further consideration of the bill be indefinitely postponed ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being on concurring in the amendments,

Mr. Northrop moved to lay the motion to concur on the table ;

Which motion did not prevail.

The amendment was then concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Robbins,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	McLachlin,	Robison,
Bartow,	Garfield,	Metcalf,	Schattler,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	Morse,	Stowe,
Briggs,	Goodyear,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	E. H. Green,	Neff,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	I. Green,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Harris,	Norton,	Watkins,
Campbell,	Hart,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Whitney,
Cole,	Hulbert,	Ranney,	Wiley,
Curry,	Knight,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Lee,	Remer,	Speaker,
Dow,			

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Mr. Potter, Mr. Towne, 2

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment for enrollment.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Norton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prevent animals from running at large in the public highways," being section 4 of chapter 59, being section 2030 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

2. Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to repeal an act to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs;

3. Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of article 2 of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873;

4. Senate bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend section 3934 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, care, and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Michigan by act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, for the endowment of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," approved March 18, 1863;

5. House bill No. 106 (printed No. 158), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill:

6. Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 16 of Article IV. of act No. 198, of the session laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations, owning or operating any railroad in this State;"

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

7. House bill No. 343 (printed No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend section 5 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation;

But not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

JOHN D. NORTON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The five bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the sixth named bill,

On motion of Mr. I. Green,

The amendments were concurred in, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on granting the committee of the whole leave to sit again for the consideration of the seventh named bill,

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

Leave was granted.

On motion of Mr. Goodyear,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Whitney, by unanimous consent, moved that the committee on engrossment and enrollment be requested to report back to the House,

House bill No. 397 (printed No. 212), entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' " approved March 29, 1871 ;

Which motion prevailed.

The following report was made :

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment :

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, to whom was referred

House bill No. 397 (printed No. 212, entitled

A bill to revise and amend the charter of the city of Muskegon, being amendatory of an act entitled "An act to revise and amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Muskegon,' " approved March 29, 1871 ;

Respectfully report the same back in accordance with the request of the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. H. MORSE, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Whitney moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in amendments made to the bill by the Senate.

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments to the bill,

On motion of Mr. Whitney,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Hunt, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 451 (printed No. 232), entitled

A bill to amend section three thousand and thirty-eight (3038) of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section three of an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of charitable societies," approved February 6, A. D. 1855 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Van Raalte, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 402 (printed No. 237), entitled
A bill to incorporate the village of Zeeland, in the county of Ottawa, Michigan ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Bailey, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

WHEREAS, This Legislature having passed laws making radical changes in matters pertaining to township elections, which so soon occur ; therefore,

Resolved, That the clerk of the House be and he is hereby instructed to prepare and forward at the earliest possible time, to each township clerk, a circular stating as follows :

1st. That the law creating the office of county superintendents of schools is repealed ;

2d. That the repeal takes effect and the county superintendents are abolished from and after the first Monday of April next ;

3d. That each township should at this spring election elect one township superintendent of schools .

4th. That each township should elect at this spring election one school inspector, whose term of office will be one year instead of two years as heretofore.

5th. That hereafter each township will elect, each year, one commissioner of highways whose term of office will be one year instead of three years as heretofore ; and that hereafter there will be only one commissioner of highways who will be elected each year, with all the powers and duties of the former board of highway commissioners, and that all commissioners of highways heretofore elected are thereby legislated out of office.

Which was adopted.

The House resumed the

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,
Mr. Norton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through their chairman, made the following report :

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8, 9, 13, 15, and 21, of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1871, being " An act to incorporate the village of Vassar ;"

2. House bill No. 157 (printed No. 156), entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 47, 58, 63, and 64 of an act, entitled " An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved Feb. 3, 1859, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof, and to add two new sections thereto, to stand as sections number 83 and 84 ;

3. House bill No. 405 (printed No. 161), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon ;

4. Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled,

“An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the recorder’s court of the city of Detroit ;”

5. House bill No. 418 (printed No. 162), entitled

A bill to legalize the records and proceedings to construct ditch No. 1, in the township of Howell, Livingston county, and the branch ditch intersecting the same ; also to authorize the township drain commissioner to clean out and keep the same in repair, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes, to defray the expense of constructing and keeping the same in repair ;

6. House bill No. 550 (printed No. 163), entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of LaFayette, in Gratiot county, to issue bonds in payment for the construction of that portion of the Wheeler and LaFayette ditch as lies in the township of LaFayette ;

7. House bill No. 330 (printed No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled “An act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette,” approved April 10, A. D. 1873 ;

8. House bill No. 235 (printed No. 172), entitled

A bill for the relief of James C. Brand ;

9. House bill No. 294 (printed No. 175) entitled

A bill to compel manufacturers and venders of patent medicines and medicinal compounds not patented, to print on all bottles and packages of such medicines and compounds a full and complete recipe thereof ;

10. Senate bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to detach certain townships from the county of Schoolcraft, and to attach the same to the township of Chocoday, in the county of Marquette ;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

11. Senate bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 8, 24, 40, 42, and 59, and sub-division 23 of section 31 of “An act to incorporate the village of Pierson,” approved March 27th, 1873 ;

12. House bill No. 67 (printed No. 27), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville ;

13. House bill No. 218 (printed No. 170), entitled

A bill to authorize the school inspectors of the townships of Carlton and Hastings, in the county of Barry, to organize certain school districts in said county, for the interest and convenience of the inhabitants to be affected thereby ;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bill :

14. House bill No. 277 (printed No. 173), entitled

A bill to establish a uniformity of text books in the public schools of Gratiot county ;

And have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it be re-committed to the committee on education, with instructions to so amend the same as to make a general law applicable to the whole State.

The committee have also had under consideration the following bills :

15. House bill No. 313 (printed No. 168), entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 26, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being compiler's section 1252, as amended by act No. 130, session laws of 1873, relative to the laying out of highways through orchards ;

16. House bill No. 343 (printed No. 160), entitled

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 21, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to taxation ;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

JOHN D. NORTON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The ten bills first named were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee of the whole to the eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth named bills,

On motion of Mr. Howland,

The same were concurred in, and the three bills were placed on the order of third reading of bills.

The question being on concurring in the recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the fourteenth named bill,

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

The same was concurred in, and the bill was re-committed to the committee on education, with instructions to so amend the same as to make a general law applicable to the whole State.

The question being on concurring in the action of the committee in striking out all after the enacting clause of the fifteenth named bill,

The same was concurred in, and the title and enacting clause thereof were laid on the table.

The question being on concurring in the action of the committee of the whole in striking out all after the enacting clause of the sixteenth-named bill,

Mr. Hollon demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the action of the committee was concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Keyes,	Mr. Ranney,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Kilbourne,	Reed,
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Remer,
Benjamin,	E. H. Green,	Ludington,	Robbins,
C. Brown,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Robinson,
E. A. Brown,	Harden,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Budlong,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Campbell,	Hart,	Morse,	Sweetland,
F. O. Clark,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Cole,	Hollon,	Neff,	Townsend,
Craig,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walker,
Curry,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Huggett,	Parker,	Wiley,
Dow,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Wilson,
Eggleston,	Hunt,	Preston,	Speaker,
Ferguson,			

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Van Aken,	Mr. Watkins,
Briggs,	Norton,	Van Raalte,	Whitney,
I. Green,			

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On motion of Mr. Howland,

The title and enacting clause were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Daly,

The rule requiring the reconsideration of a vote to be on the same or next subsequent day was suspended, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Daly moved to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the amendments made by the committee on judiciary to

Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section two of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the Recorder's Court of the city of Detroit;"

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on concurring in the amendments made by the committee,

The same were not concurred in.

Mr. Curry, by unanimous consent, offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Representative Hall be given to Peter White, of the Upper Peninsula, Friday evening, the 26th inst., at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of reading a paper on "The Pictured Rocks," and "The Manitous of Lake Superior;"

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Walker,

The House adjourned.

Lansing, Tuesday, March 23, 1875.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Fassett.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Cole asked and obtained leave of absence for himself indefinitely on account of sickness.

Mr. Kilbourne asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Thursday.

Mr. Ranney asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the forenoon.

Mr. Wiley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for the forenoon.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

No. 1003. By Mr. Preston: Petition of T. B. Skinner, John Meacham, G. Decker, and 47 other citizens of the city of Battle Creek, asking the Legislature to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a dental school in connection with the University at Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on public health.

No. 1004. By Mr. Sutton: Remonstrance of Mrs. I. D. Stannard, Mrs. E. O. McIlwain, Mrs. B. J. Adams, and 49 ladies of the Woman's Temperance Union of Dexter, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor laws of this State;

Laid on the table.

No. 1005. By Mr. Knight: Remonstrance of James M. Kellogg and 13 other citizens of Oshtemo, Kalamazoo county, on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

No. 1006. By Mr. Howard: Petition of Fred. Carle, F. O. Gulliver, Chas. J. Lawson, and 67 other residents of the county of Alcona, in favor of granting swamp lands to the Bay City & Alpena Railroad;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 1007. By Mr. Townsend: Remonstrance of Peter Stiver, John Appleton, Sanford Bradshaw, and 155 other residents and tax payers of Burlington, in Lapeer county, against taking any portion from Lapeer county to form Butler county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

No. 1008. By Mr. Stowe: Remonstrance of H. S. Worthington, S. M. Pardee, W. H. Fritz, and 92 others, against legalizing the records of the Howell ditch;

Referred to the committee on drainage.

No. 1009. By Mr. E. H. Green: Petition of Peter W. Hornback and 91 other citizens of St. Ignace and vicinity, Mackinac county, praying the Legislature to make an appropriation of State swamp land to aid in the construction of a railroad from Mackinac to Marquette harbor;

Referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

No. 1010. By Mr. Walker: Remonstrance of Henry Mulder and 23 others, against taxing church property;

Laid on the table.

No. 1011. By Mr. Houston: Remonstrance of George H. French, Albert Collins, and 118 other citizens of Homer, Calhoun county, against the law relative to taxing shares of National and State banks;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 1012. By Mr. Houston: Remonstrance of Hon. Loomis Hutchinson, Oliver W. Godfrey, and 73 other citizens of Calhoun county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on private corporations.

No. 1013. By Mr. Taylor: Remonstrance of Rev. Isaac Taylor and 29 others against taxing church property;

Laid on the table.

No. 1014. By Mr. Taylor: Remonstrance of I. Cogshall and 84 others, of Branch county, on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

No. 1015. By Mr. Craig: Remonstrance of Peter Henkel and 9 other citizens of Detroit, against extending the limits of Detroit.

On demand of Mr. Craig,

The remonstrance was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows:

To the Honorable, the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

We, the undersigned citizens of the city of Detroit, do remonstrate against the passage of any act contemplating the extension of the limits of the city of Detroit, by adding more territory to our too much extended dimensions.

It would be a great wrong to all the tax-payers of the city of Detroit; besides

a great injustice to the citizens of the wards added thereto by the extension of 1857, who have been patiently waiting for the benefits and advantages so often promised them, such as sewerage, water, pavements, etc.

We call your attention to the following facts :

There are large tracts of land within the boundaries of the city, as it was before the addition of 1857, which remain unoccupied, uninhabited and undrained, without water, or any of the benefits which a city government is expected to give to all within its limits.

Whilst over half the territory annexed in 1857 is in a most deplorable condition, hundreds of acres being tenant less, because the present population does not need them, and will not for years to come, even should the rapid rate of increase in the past continue, and untenable, even if they were required for habitations, for the want of drainage, &c.; and the greater part of said territory added in 1857 which is inhabited, is without the advantages so necessary to the health of a city.

It is but common justice to the inhabitants of the territory, who have been paying municipal taxes so many years, and who have been waiting so long and patiently for the said promised improvements, that they should now have them, and not be compelled to wait and share them with the inhabitants of any new territory, who have not been adding to the wealth of the city, but who will require and demand three times more from the city treasury than the said treasury will receive from them.

It is an established fact that all naked new territory added to cities, have been burdens to the corporations to which they are attached, and have retarded their growth and prosperity.

That new territory is improved and appreciated at the expense and depreciation of the old.

A city like Detroit, with its most beautiful and eligible sites, possessing all the elements of future greatness and prosperity, should have every foot of its soil so improved, that it would be a representative of its cash value, and pass current from one to another, the same as a gold dollar, or a government bond ; which would be the case, provided the people would curb the insane desire for more territory, copying after the grasping propensity of the farmer in the fable, who exhausted his means in adding to his acres, without cultivating and improving any.

We ask your honorable body not to give sanction to any scheme for the enlargement of our city's boundaries, but, by refusing to do so, aid us to prevent our falling into the errors from which our sister cities are now suffering.

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 1016. By Mr. Craig: Remonstrance of John V. Mehling and 8 other citizens of Detroit on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on municipal corporations.

No. 1017. By Mr. Wood : Remonstrance of Rufus Wilkins and 42 other citizens of Jackson county, against the passage of Senate bill 163, preventing the hounding of deer with dogs, claiming that "still hunting" is more destructive of deer than hunting by dogs;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 1018. By Mr. Wood: Remonstrance of L. Palmer and 36 others of Norvel and Adrian, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

No. 1019. By Mr. Copley : Remonstrance of Geo. C. Elliott, E. P. Hill and 60 others, against the taxing of church property;

Laid on the table.

No. 1020. By Mr. Copley : Remonstrance of Mrs. Jane Butler, Mrs. P. L. Palmer and 60 other women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Paw Paw, against the repeal of the prohibitory liquor law;

Laid on the table.

The Speaker announced the following remonstrances :

No. 1021. Remonstrance of Forley Crow and 28 others against the taxation of church property;

Laid on the table.

No. 1022. Remonstrance of Hiram Husted and others on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

No. 1023. Remonstrance of J. B. Lanckton and others on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

No. 1024. Remonstrance of O. Whitcomb and others on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

No. 1025. Remonstrance of John W. Gaffery and others on the same subject;

Laid on the table.

Mr. Curry, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

Senate bill No. 99, entitled

A bill to amend section 22 of an act entitled "An act to create a board of water and fire commissioners in the village of Marquette, being act No. 243 of the session laws of 1869," approved March 2, 1869 ;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 127, entitled

A bill to repeal section 4214 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to alienation by deed,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and recommend that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary :

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 90, entitled

A bill to amend section 7580 of chapter 245 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to embezzlement by officers of corporations, and others,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and

have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 114, entitled

A bill relative to proceedings in criminal cases in circuit courts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend section 540 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to county clerks,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Kalamo, Eaton county, to convey certain lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to repeal section 4389 of chapter 156 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, the same being "An act to provide for the administration and distribution of estates of intestates,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 126, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4401 and 4406, being sections 1 and 6 of chapter 157 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to the inventory and collection of the effects of deceased persons,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 146, entitled

A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 55, being section 2000 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to gaming or betting at cards or dice,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 147, entitled

A bill to prohibit any person entering into any contract with any city or village while a member of the common council of such city, or of the common council or board of trustees of such village,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 149, entitled

A bill to define the powers of notaries in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER. *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 129, entitled

A bill to amend section 12 of chapter 79 of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 4639 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to sales on execution,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly:

The committees on railroads and public lands, jointly, to whom was referred House bill No. 220, entitled

A bill to amend act 242, of the Session Laws of 1869, by adding four sections thereto, numbered 3, 4, 5, and 6, relative to granting swamp lands to the Deer Creek and Menominee County Railroad Company,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed us to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. C. WATKINS,

Chairman of the Committee on Railroads.

E. L. BRIGGS,

Chairman of the Committee on Public Lands.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on municipal corporations:

A majority of the committee on municipal corporations, to whom was referred House bill No. 223, entitled

A bill to authorize the common council of the city of Lansing to borrow money for the purpose of paying any judgment that has been or may be hereafter rendered against the city of Lansing, and to issue bonds for the payment of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that

the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

HENRY HART, *Chairman*.
MARSHALL REED,
S. HOWLAND.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations, to whom was referred
House bill No. 424, entitled

A bill to amend sections 4 and 63 of an act entitled "An act to authorize the business of banking," approved February 16, 1857, being chapter 72 of the Compiled Laws of 1821,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill be printed, placed on the general order, and referred to the committee of the whole.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Green,

The recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on private corporations:

The committee on private corporations to whom was referred
House bill No. 437, entitled

A bill to appropriate non-resident highway taxes for the improvement of a wagon road in Saginaw and Gratiot counties,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject,

For the reason that the legislation sought by this is deemed to be unconstitutional.

E. H. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Little,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred
House bill No. 491, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of chapter 63 entitled "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State,' being compiler's section 2090 of laws of 1871, and to add a new section thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

S. HOWLAND, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following :

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
Lansing, March 20, 1875. }

To the House of Representatives :

I have this day approved, signed, and deposited with the Secretary of State,

An act to detach certain territory from the present township of Central Lake, in the county of Antrim, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Echo ;

An act to amend "An act to incorporate the village of Midland City," approved April 3, 1869, and acts amendatory thereto ;

An act to organize the county of Roscommon.

JOHN J. BAGLEY.

The message was laid on the table.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following :

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

In compliance with the requirements of a resolution passed February 27th, relative to the State Agricultural College, the following statement is respectfully submitted:

Number of acres of public lands donated by the United States	235,673 37-100
Number of acres of public lands donated by this State	6,846 90-100
Number of acres of public lands donated by United States, sold up to September 30, 1874	66,478 53-100
Number of acres of public lands donated by this State up to March 1, 1875	5,424 73-100
Amount realized from sales of United States land grant up to September 30th, 1874	\$214,875 49
Amount realized from sales of State land grant up to March 1st, 1875	37,166 43
Received from State on account of appropriations up to September 30th, 1874	\$418,977 18
Received from State on account of interest up to September 30, 1874	36,664 84
Received from sales of lands donated by the State up to March 1, 1875	37,166 43
Total	\$492 808 45

Real estate and personal property belonging to the college, according to inventory taken September 30, 1874 \$209,038 00

Subtracting the value of the property from the total appropriation, and dividing by 18, the number of years the college has been in actual operation, and the annual average expense to the State has been less than \$11,664. If, before

dividing, we add all that has been received from the interest fund and from the sale of swamp lands, the average annual expense will not amount to \$15,825. The sum to be appropriated by Legislatures will decrease as the college lands are sold, until at last only such sums as are needed for the erection and repair of buildings will be required.

The number of graduates of the agricultural college since its organization has been as follows:

1861.....7	1866.....2	1869.....10	1872.....5
1862.....5	1867.....5	1870.....12	1873.....15
1864.....5	1868.....10	1871.....12	1874.....21

Thirty-seven of the living graduates whose occupation is known, are farmers, and 48 per cent of the graduates are farmers or fruit growers; or have charge of farms and horticultural departments of agricultural colleges. The usual per cent of college graduates who take up agriculture as a business, is less than 1½ per cent.

No answer can be given to the query what it costs to graduate a student. A large part of the teaching goes to students who never graduate, and much of the expense of the institution looks forward to the future for part of the returns.

The number of students is constantly increasing. Taking three years at a time since the creation of the board of agriculture in 1861, and the numbers run as follows: 185, 200, 287, 349, 395. The college term has just opened with a freshman class of 67, as against 45 who entered last year in both the February and July terms.

There is a prospect of a steady growth of the college in number of students, influence, and usefulness.

The students are for the most part sons of farmers or others of very limited means, and the plan of having the long vacation in the winter affording an opportunity to teach, and of small payment for labor, enables them to get an education, when they probably otherwise would not afford it.

WM. H. MARSTON,

Secretary Board of Agriculture.

T. C. ABBOT,

President of Agricultural College.

The communication was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 22, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 151, entitled

A bill to amend sections 7563, 7564, 7565, 7566, and 7623, of the Compiled Laws of 1871, relative to offenses against property;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

House bill No. 357 (printed No. 239), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Wyandotte, being act No. 297 of the session laws of 1867, as amended by act No. 246 of the session laws of 1873, being sections 4, 36, 39, 49, 52, 85, 86, and to repeal section 2, and to add four new sections, to stand as sections 19, 90, 91, 92, and 93.

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Robinson,
Bailey,	Ferguson,	Lay,	Schattler,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
Billings,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Ludington,	Struble,
Briggs,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Morse,	Towne,
Churchill,	Houston,	Moshier,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Northrop,	Walker,
Cole,	Hubbard,	Norton,	West,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Packard,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Hull,	Parker,	I. P. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hunt,	Preston,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Reed,	Speaker,
Dow,	Klein,	Remer,	75

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Benjamin,	2
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ocobock,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect,

House bill No. 189 (printed No. 181), entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from each of the townships of Grant and Sheridan, in the county of Clare, and organize the same into a separate township to be known as the township of Frost,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Schattler,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Lee,	Smith,
Bartow,	Hale,	Little,	Stephens,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Berk,	Harris,	Ludington,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hart,	McLachlin,	Sutton,

Mr. E. A. Brown,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Mercer,	Mr. Sweetland,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Morse,	Taylor,
Campbell,	Houston,	Moshier,	Towne,
Churchill,	Howard,	Neff,	Townsend,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walker,
Craig,	Huggett,	Potter,	Walton,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Preston,	West,
Daly,	Hull,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Dow,	Hunt,	Reed,	L. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Keyes,	Remer,	Whitney,
Garfield,	Klein,	Robbins,	Wood,
Gerrish,	Knight,	Robinson,	

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Mr. Briggs, Mr. Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 231, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, in the county of Gladwin, and attach the same to the township of Grout, in said county of Gladwin,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Hale,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Berk,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hart,	Morse,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Houston,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Howard,	Parker,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Walton,
Copley,	Huggett,	Preston,	West,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Curry,	Hull,	Reed,	L. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hunt,	Remer,	Whitney,
Dow,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Garfield,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 230, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from the township of Gladwin, and organize the same into a separate township, to be known as the township of Clayton;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Billings moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "Clayton" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Hoyt;"

Pending which,

Mr. Backus moved to amend the amendment by inserting the word "Billings" in lieu of "Hoyt;"

Which amendment was agreed to.

The amendment as amended was then agreed to.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Goodyear,	Little,	Stephens,
Bailey,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hart,	Mercer,	Sweetland,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
E. A. Brown,	Hollon,	Morse,	Towne,
Budlong,	Houston,	Moshier,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Aken,
Churchill,	Howland,	Northrop,	Van Raalte,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walker,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	Walton,
Craig,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	West,
Curry,	Hull,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Hunt,	Remer,	I. P. Wheeler,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robinson,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Schattler,	Speaker <i>pro tem</i>

NAYS.

Mr. Billings,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Keyes,	8
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Hart moved to amend the title as follows:

By striking out the word "Clayton" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Billings;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. F. O. Clark, by unanimous consent, moved to take from the table

House bill No. 48 (printed No. 69), entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

After some discussion, Mr. Potter demanded the previous question;

Which demand was not seconded.

Mr. F. O. Clark moved that the rule requiring the reconsideration of a vote to be on the same or the next subsequent day, be suspended ;

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members present not voting therefor.

On motion of Mr. Briggs,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on judiciary, with instructions to amend the same by striking out all reference to "thieves and burglars."

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend section 16, of Article IV. of act No. 198, of the session laws of 1873, being an act entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroads and other corporations, owning or operating any railroad in this State,"

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Hewitt,	Mr. Knight,	Mr. Parker,
Campbell,	Hollon,	Lee,	Remer,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Little,	Stephens,
Copley,	Huggett,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Craig,	Hulbert,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Daly,	Hull,	Northrop,	A. R. Wheeler,
I. Green,	Hunt,	Norton,	Speaker,
Hart,	Keyes,	Ocobock,	31

NAYS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Sweetland,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Bartow,	E. H. Green,	Neff,	Towne,
Benedict,	Hale,	Packard,	Townsend,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Potter,	Van Aken,
Berk,	Harris,	Preston,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Ransom,	Walton,
Budlong,	Howard,	Reed,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Howland,	Robbins,	I. P. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Klein,	Robinson,	Whitney,
Curry,	Lay,	Smith,	Wilson,
Dow,	Mercer,	Sutton,	Wood,
Eggleston,			49

Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Reed moved that Mr. C. Brown be excused from voting ;

Which motion prevailed.

Senate bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 5, 8, 9, 13, 15, and 21, of act No. 206 of the session laws of 1871, being an act entitled "An act to amend an act to incorporate the village of Vassar,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. Klein,	Mr. Reed,
Backus,	Garfield,	Lay,	Robinson,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Lee,	Smith,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Little,	Stowe,
Berk,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Billings,	Hale,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Harden,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Briggs,	Harris,	Mercer,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Churchill,	Houston,	Northrop,	Walker,
A. K. Clark,	Howard,	Norton,	Walton,
F. O. Clark,	Howland,	Ocobock,	West,
Copley,	Hubbard,	Packard,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Huggett,	Parker,	Whitney,
Curry,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Wilson,
Daly,	Hull,	Preston,	Wood,
Dow,	Hunt,	Ransom,	Speaker,
Eggleston,	Keyes,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Campbell,

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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Hollon moved to amend the title as follows: By striking out the words "to amend an act;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hollon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 106 (printed No. 158), entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 14 of an act entitled "An act for the relief of school districts," being sections 3713 and 3726 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	I. Green,	Livingstone,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Hale,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Mercer,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Hollon,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Houston,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Howland,	Packard,	Walker,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Parker,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,

Mr. F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Dow, Eggleston, Gerrish,	Mr. Hull, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins,	Mr. A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Norton,
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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to provide for licensing the keeping of dogs,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Hubbard moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Craig, Daly, Dow, Eggleston,	Mr. Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green, Harden, Harris, Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Klein,	Mr. Knight, Little, Livingstone, Mercer, Morse, Moshier, Norton, Packard, Parker, Preston, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walton, West, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wilson, Wood, Speaker,
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NAYS.

Mr. Backus, E. A. Brown, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Garfield, E. H. Green, Hale,	Mr. Hart, Hubbard, Huggett, Keyes, Lay, Lee, Ludington,	Mr. McLachlin, Metcalf, Neff, Northrop, Ocobock, Potter, Ransom,	Mr. Robinson, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Van Aken, Walker, A. R. Wheeler,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Taylor moved that Mr. Townsend be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Townsend then voted as recorded above.

Mr. I. Green moved that Mr. Walker be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Walker then voted as recorded above.

Mr. Hollon moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed the bill.

Mr. Wilson moved to lay that motion on the table ;

Which motion prevailed.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Benjamin,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take effect on the 31st day of March, instant.

Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Art. II. of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1st, 1873,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Parker moved to amend the bill by inserting in line 8 of section 3, after the words "provide for," the words "an annual election ;" also, by adding after the word "call," in the same line, the words "a meeting for such purpose ;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

On motion of Mr. Wood,

The House took a recess until 2½ o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. E. H. Green asked and obtained leave of absence for the committee on private corporations and Messrs. Klein and Livingstone for the afternoon.

The House resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to amend section 3 of Article II. of act No. 198 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to revise the laws providing for the incorporation of railroad companies, and to regulate the running and management, and to fix the duties and liabilities of all railroad and other corporations owning or operating any railroad in this State," approved May 1, 1873 ;

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its passage, pending the taking of the vote thereon,

Mr. Watkins moved to amend the bill by inserting in line 20 of recited section 3, after the word "majority," the words "in value ;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect, voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Mercer,	Stephens.
Bailey,	Garfield,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Gerrish,	Meyer,	Struble,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Morse,	Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Neff,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hart,	Northrop,	Towne,
C. Brown,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Townsend,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Parker,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Potter,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	Whitney,
Craig,	Knight,	Remer,	Wiley,
Curry,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wood,
Daly,	Lee,	Robinson,	Speaker,
Dow,	Little,	Schattler,	

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 46, entitled

A bill to amend section 3934 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 8 of an act entitled "An act to provide for the selection, care, and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Michigan by act of Congress approved July 2, 1862, for the endowment of Colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts," approved March 18, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Stephens,
Backus,	Ferguson,	Little,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Garfield,	Ludington,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Gerrish,	McLachlin,	Sutton,
Berk,	Goodyear,	Mercer,	Sweetland.
Billings,	I. Green,	Metcalf,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hale,	Meyer,	Towne,
Briggs,	Harden,	Morse,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Harris,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Walker,
Campbell,	Howland,	Norton,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hubbard,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Huggett,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hulbert,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Hull,	Reed,	Wiley,
Curry,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wilson,
Daly,	Keyes,	Robbins,	Speaker.
Dow,	Lay,	Schattler,	

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NAYS.

Mr. Packard, Mr. Potter, Mr. Wood,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Watkins moved that Mr. Wood be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Wood then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Van Aken

The House resumed the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, March 23, 1875. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bill :

Senate bill No. 157, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of act No. 109 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the collection of statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind in this State, and to repeal a joint resolution relative to statistical information of the insane, deaf, dumb, and blind, approved April 3, 1848, being section 183, chapter 52 of the Compiled Laws of 1871," approved April 17, 1873 ;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

JAMES H. STONE,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the asylum for the insane.

By unanimous consent the following petition was received :

No. 1026. By Mr. Livingstone: Petition of many citizens of Detroit asking for the passage of Senate bill No. 30.

On demand of Mr. Livingstone,

The petition was read at length and spread at large on the journal, as follows :

To the House of Representatives :

The undersigned citizens and business men of the city of Detroit, believing that the speedy construction of a railroad from Mackinac to Marquette, will be of great value to all sections, and to all interests of the State, respectfully urge the passage of Senate bill No. 30, by your honorable body:

H. P. Baldwin & Co.

T. H. Hinchman & Son.

K. C. Barker & Co.

Walter Bourke.

A. E. Bissell & Son.

Jno. H. Wendell & Co.

C. A. Sheldon.

Alex. Lewis & Co.

A. C. McGraw & Co.

Gillett & Hall.

F. Buhl, Newland & Co.	Chas. Root & Co.
A. Ives & Son.	C. M. Garrison.
Allan, Sheldon & Co.	A. W. Copeland.
Johnson & Wheeler.	Peter Henkel.
Theo. H. Eaton & Son.	McKenna & Ridcliff.
C. Hurlbut.	Babillion, Hinchman & Co.
C. M. Davison.	Lasier & Co
J. F. Joy.	Belknap & Drake.
Chas Cadman.	Jacob Beeson & Co.
Henry L. Kanter.	Buhl, Ducharme & Co.
Edward Kanter.	D. D. Mallory & Co.
J. S. Farrand.	W. Botman & Co.
J. Owen.	H. J. Coleman.
L. Clark.	Farrington, Campbell & Co.
Heineman Brothers.	Rothschild & Bro.
W. H. Eagan & Son.	J. K. Burnham & Co.
Phelps & Brace.	Beatty, Fitzsimons & Co.
C. B. James & Co.	Edson, Moore & Co.
James E. Pittman.	John Stephens & Co.
John Bigly & Co.	M. S. Smith & Co.
Geo. S. Goodale.	Detroit Car Works.
Evans & Walker.	Detroit Stove Works,
A. McPherson & Co.	W. H. Teft, President
Pingree & Smith.	Avery & Murphy.
Prentiss Bros. & Co.	Moore & Alger.
I. S. Lyon.	E. W. Hudson.
Thomas McGraw & Co.	Merrick, Fowler & Eselstyn,
Gray, Toynton & Fox.	S. & A. Botsford & McDowd,
Willard, Parker & Co.	Ducharme, Fletcher & Co.
M. Johnson & Co.	

The petition was referred to the committees on railroads and public lands, jointly.

By unanimous consent, the following report was made:

By the joint committee on judiciary:

The committee on judiciary, to whom was referred

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to prevent the setting of guns and other dangerous devices,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LEROY PARKER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Parker,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Wood moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sutton,
Berk,	Harden,	Meyer,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Harris,	Morse,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Moshier,	Towne,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Northrop,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Walton,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Packard,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Parker,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	Whitney,
Craig,	Keyes,	Ransom,	Wiley,
Curry,	Knight,	Reed,	Wilson,
Daly,	Lay,	Remer,	Wood,
Dow,	Lee,	Robbins,	Speaker,
Eggleston,			79

NAYS.

Mr. Schattler,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Dow moved that Mr. Schattler be excused from voting ;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Schattler then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

The House then resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS.

Senate bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to prevent animals from running at large in the public highways," being section 4 of chapter 59, being section 2030 of the Compiled Laws of 1871,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Wood moved to amend the bill by striking out of line 2, in recited section 4, after the words "person to" the words "give immediate notice thereof," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Forthwith cause a description of said animal or animals to be entered upon a book to be kept by the clerk of the town, city, or village in which such animals were taken up, and shall thereupon give immediate notice ;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Curry,	Mr. Meyer,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Eggleston,	Morse,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Ferguson,	Neff,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Northrop,	Sutton,
Berk,	Harris,	Norton,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Taylor,
Briggs,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Towne,
Budlong,	Howland,	Parker,	Townsend,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Preston,	Van Raaie,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Ransom,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Remer,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Robbins,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Metcalf,	Robinson,	Wood, 53

NAYS.

Mr. Backus,	Mr. Gerrish,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Reed,
Benjamin,	Goodyear,	Lee,	Schattler,
Billings,	I. Green,	Little,	Struble,
C. Brown,	Hale,	Ludington,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Howard,	McLachlin,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Mercer,	Whitney,
Daly,	Huggett,	Moshier,	Wiley,
Daw,	Knight,	Potter,	Speaker, 33
Garfield,			

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Howland,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 451 (printed No. 232), entitled

A bill to amend section three thousand and thirty-eight (3038) of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being section 3 of an act entitled "An act for the incorporation of charitable societies," approved February 6, A. D. 1855,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Eggleston,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Smith,
Bailey,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Stowe,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benedict,	Hale,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Harden,	Neff,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harris,	Northrop,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Norton,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Howard,	Ocobock,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Howland,	Parker,	Van Aken,
Campbell,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hulbert,	Preston,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Remer,	Whitney,

Mr. Curry, Dow,	Mr. Lay, Lee,	Mr. Robbins,	Mr. Speaker,	66
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NAYS.

Mr. Daly,	Mr. Garfield,	2
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hunt,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 402 (printed No. 237), entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Zeeland, in the county of Ottawa, Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry, Dow,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, I. Green, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Knight, Lay,	Mr. Lee, Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Meyer, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Reed, Robbins,	Mr. Robinson, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,	72
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NAYS.

Mr. Briggs,	Mr. Campbell,	Mr. Morse,	Mr. Van Aken,	4
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Raalte,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to detach certain townships from the county of Schoolcraft, and to attach the same to the township of Chocoday, in the county of Marquette,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benjamin, Berk,	Mr. Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, I. Green,	Mr. Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf,	Mr. Stephens, Stowe, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland,
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Mr. Billings, Bradfield, C. Brown. E. A. Brown, Budlong, Campbell, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Curry,	Mr. Harden, Harris, Hart, Hewitt, Howland, Hubbard, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Knight, Lay, Lee,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Norton, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robinson,	Mr. Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walton, Watkins, West, A. R. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wood,
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NAYS.

Mr. Northrop, Ocobock,	Mr. Packard, Smith,	Mr. Van Aken,	Mr. Wilson,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. I. Goodyear,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Sweetland, by unanimous consent, moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of

House bill No. 214 (printed No. 236), entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Vandalia;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Sweetland,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

House bill No. 294 (printed No. 175), entitled

A bill to compel manufacturers and venders of patent medicines and medicinal compounds not patented to print on all bottles and packages of such medicines and compounds a full and complete recipe thereof,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Towne moved to amend the bill by inserting in line 4, of section 1, after the word "English," the words "German, Holland, Swedish, and Polish;"

Which motion did not prevail, two-thirds of all the members elect not voting therefor.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

Mr. Towne moved to strike out all after the enacting clause thereof;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The title and enacting clause were laid on the table.

House bill No. 235 (printed No. 172), entitled

A bill for the relief of James C. Brand,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Bailey, Bartow, Benedict, Benjamin,	Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Ferguson, Garfield, Gerrish,	Mr. Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Morse,	Mr. Schattler, Smith, Stephens, Stowe, Struble,
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Mr. Berk,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Moshier,	Mr. Sutton,
Billings,	I. Green,	Neff,	Sweetland,
Bradfield,	Harden,	Northrop,	Taylor,
O. Brown,	Harris,	Norton,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Hart,	Ocobock,	Van Aken,
Budlong,	Hewitt,	Packard,	Van Raalte,
Campbell,	Howard,	Parker,	Walton,
Churchill,	Hubbard,	Potter,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Preston,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Ransom,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Reed,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Knight,	Remer,	Whitney,
Curry,	Lay,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lee,	Robinson,	Wilson, 75

NAYS.

Mr. Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill 330 (printed No. 165), entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Ishpeming, in the county of Marquette," approved April 10, A. D. 1873,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Curry moved to amend the bill by striking out of line 43, of section 10, of Title V, all after the words "street beggars," and all of line 44; also by inserting the word "and" before the words "street beggars;"

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Garfield,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Stowe,
Benedict,	Harden,	Meyer,	Struble,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Morse,	Sutton,
Berk,	Hart,	Moshier,	Sweetland,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Neff,	Taylor,
Bradfield,	Howard,	Northrop,	Towne,
Briggs,	Howland,	Norton,	Townsend,
O. Brown,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walton,
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
Churchill,	Hull,	Potter,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Copley,	Keyes,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Craig,	Knight,	Reed,	Whitney,
Curry,	Lay,	Remer,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lee,	Robbins,	Wilson,

Mr. Eggleston, Mr. Ludington, Mr. Schattler, Mr. Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Dow,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Benjamin moved that Mr. Little be excused from voting ;

Which motion prevailed.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Curry,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 550 (printed No. 163), entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of LaFayette, in Gratiot county, to issue bonds in payment for the construction of that portion of the Wheeler and LaFayette ditch as lies in the township of LaFayette,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Ferguson,	Mr. McLachlin,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Garfield,	Mercer,	Stephens,
Bartow,	Gerrish,	Metcalf,	Stowe.
Benedict,	Goodyear,	Meyer,	Sutton.
Benjamin,	Hale,	Morse,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Moshier,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hart,	Neff,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Northrop,	Townsend,
C. Brown,	Hubbard,	Norton,	Van Aken,
E. A. Brown,	Huggett,	Ooobock,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hulbert,	Packard,	Walton,
Campbell,	Hull,	Parker,	West,
A. K. Clark,	Hunt,	Potter,	A. R. Wheeler,
F. O. Clark,	Keyes,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Knight,	Ransom,	Whitney,
Craig,	Lay,	Reed,	Wiley,
Daly,	Lee,	Remer,	Wilson,
Dow,	Ludington,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Eggleston,			

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Morse,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 418 (printed No. 162), entitled

A bill to legalize the records and proceedings to construct ditch No. 1 in the township of Howell, Livingston county, and the branch ditch intersecting the same; also to authorize the township drain commissioner to clean out and keep the same in repair, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes to defray the expense of constructing and keeping the same in repair.

Pending the reading thereof,

On motion of Mr. Stowe,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 405 (printed No. 161), entitled

A bill to amend section 20 of chapter 21 of the Compiled Laws of 1871, being an act to provide for the uniform assessment of property, and for the collection and return of taxes thereon,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Dow,	Mr. Lay,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	Eggleston,	Little,	Stephens,
Bailey,	Gerrish,	Ludington,	Stowe,
Bartow,	Goodyear,	McLachlin,	Struble,
Benedict,	E. H. Green,	Mercer,	Sutton,
Benjamin,	Hale,	Metcalf,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Harden,	Meyer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Harris,	Morse,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hewitt,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
Briggs,	Hollon,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Northrop,	Walton,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Norton,	West,
Budlong,	Huggett,	Parker,	A. R. Wheeler,
Campbell,	Hulbert,	Potter,	I. P. Wheeler,
A. K. Clark,	Hull,	Reed,	Whitney,
F. O. Clark,	Hunt,	Remer,	Wiley,
Copley,	Keyes,	Robinson,	Wilson,
Craig,	Knight,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Daly,			

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NAYS.

Mr. Churchill,	Mr. Hart,	Mr. Lee,	Mr. Packard,
I. Green,	Hubbard,		

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Budlong moved that Mr. Churchill be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Churchill then voted as recorded above.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bailey,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 157 (printed No. 156), entitled

A bill to amend sections 7, 47, 58, 63, and 64 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved Feb. 3, 1859, as amended by several acts amendatory thereof, and to add two new sections thereto, to stand as sections number 83 and 84,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. I. Green,	Mr. Ludington,	Mr. Smith,
Bartow,	Hale,	McLachlin,	Stephens,
Benedict,	Harris,	Mercer,	Stowe,
Benjamin,	Hart,	Metcalf,	Struble,

Mr. Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, E. A. Brown, Budlong, Churchill, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Craig, Daly, Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green,	Mr. Hewitt, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett, Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Klein, Knight, Lay, Lee, Little,	Mr. Meyer, Morse, Moshier, Neff, Northrop, Norton, Ocobock, Packard, Parker, Potter, Preston, Ransom, Reed, Remer, Robbins, Schattler,	Mr. Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Aken, Van Raalte, Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, I. P. Wheeler, Whitney, Wiley, Wilson, Speaker,
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Mr. Campbell, 1
 Title agreed to.
 On motion of Mr. Preston,
 By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of act No. 363 of the session laws of 1873, entitled "An act to provide for the appointment of a stenographer for the recorder's court of the city of Detroit,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong, Backus, Bailey, Benedict, Benjamin, Berk, Billings, Bradfield, Briggs, C. Brown, E. A. Brown, Budlong, A. K. Clark, F. O. Clark, Copley, Craig, Daly,	Mr. Dow, Eggleston, Garfield, Gerrish, Goodyear, E. H. Green, I. Green, Hale, Harden, Harris, Hart, Hollon, Houston, Howard, Howland, Hubbard, Huggett,	Mr. Hulbert, Hull, Hunt, Keyes, Knight, Lay, Lee, Little, Ludington, McLachlin, Mercer, Metcalf, Neff, Norton, Packard, Parker, Potter,	Mr. Preston, Robbins, Robinson, Schattler, Stephens, Struble, Sutton, Sweetland, Taylor, Towne, Townsend, Van Raalte, Walton, West, A. R. Wheeler, Speaker,
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Mr. Bartow, Campbell, Klein, Title agreed to.	Mr. Livingstone, Ocobock,	Mr. Smith, I. P. Wheeler,	Mr. Whitney, Wiley,
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Senate bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 8, 24, 40, 42, and 59, and sub-division 23 of section 31 of "An act to incorporate the village of Pierson," approved March 27, 1873,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. Goodyear,	Mr. Little,	Mr. Smith,
Backus,	E. H. Green,	Livingstone,	Struble,
Bartow,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Sutton,
Benedict,	Harris,	McLachlin,	Sweetland,
Berk,	Hart,	Mercer,	Taylor,
Billings,	Hewitt,	Metcalf,	Towne,
Bradfield,	Hollon,	Meyer,	Townsend,
Briggs,	Houston,	Moshier,	Van Aken,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Neff,	Van Raalte,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Norton,	Walton,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Watkins,
A. K. Clark,	Huggett,	Potter,	West,
F. O. Clark,	Hulbert,	Preston,	I. P. Wheeler,
Copley,	Hunt,	Reed,	A. R. Wheeler,
Daly,	Klein,	Remer,	Whitney,
Eggleston,	Knight,	Robbins,	Wiley,
Garfield,	Lay,	Schattler,	Speaker,
Gerrish,			

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NAYS.

Mr. Campbell.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 67 (printed No. 27), entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Middleville,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Armstrong,	Mr. E. H. Green,	Mr. Livingstone,	Mr. Robinson,
Backus,	I. Green,	Ludington,	Schattler,
Bartow,	Harden,	Mercer,	Smith,
Benjamin,	Harris,	Metcalf,	Stephens,
Berk,	Hart,	Meyer,	Struble,
Billings,	Hollon,	Moshier,	Sutton,
Bradfield,	Houston,	Neff,	Taylor,
C. Brown,	Howard,	Northrop,	Towne,
E. A. Brown,	Howland,	Norton,	Van Raalte,
Budlong,	Hubbard,	Ocobock,	Walker,
Campbell,	Huggett,	Packard,	Walton,
A. K. Clark,	Hulbert,	Parker,	Watkins,
F. O. Clark,	Hull,	Potter,	West,
Copley,	Hunt,	Preston,	A. R. Wheeler,
Craig,	Klein,	Ransom,	I. P. Wheeler,
Daly,	Knight,	Reed,	Whitney,
Ferguson,	Lay,	Remer,	Wiley,

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